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## FRENCH CABINET CHANGES ISSUED; CRISIS SETTLED

General Lyautey Becomes War Minister—Reorganization of High Command Expected—M. Thomas a Full Minister

Special Cable to The Christian Science Monitor from its European Bureau

PARIS, France (Wednesday)—The political crisis has now been settled by important political and military changes. The new Cabinet will consist of the following:

Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Aristide Briand.

Minister of Finance, Alexandre Ribot.

Minister of Marine, Rear Admiral Lacaze.

Minister of Justice, Public Works and Instruction, René Viviani.

Minister of War, General Lyautey, who will be succeeded by Général Gouraud as Governor of Morocco.

Minister of National Economy and Commerce, M. Clement.

Minister of Colonies, M. Doumergue.

Minister of Civilian and Military Reorganization, Edouard Herriot, Mayor of Lyons.

Minister of War Productions and Armaments, Albert Thomas.

The War Committee will be formed of the Prime Minister and the Ministers of Finance, War, Marine and Armament.

The reorganization of the high command is not yet announced, but it is expected that General Nivelle, who succeeded General Pétain at Verdun and who organized the move which captured Douaumont and Fort Vaux, will succeed General Joffre as commander-in-chief on the western front.

General Joffre will return to Paris as adviser of the French War Cabinet and other statements regarding him are that he will remain general commander-in-chief of all French forces everywhere; that he will be President of the War Council of the Allies and that the rank of Maréchal de France is to be specially revived for him in recognition of his great services.

The new War Minister has shown great organizing and administrative ability as well as military capacity in Morocco.

Albert Thomas becomes a full minister and five ministers of state without portfolios drop out.

In view of the food price difficulties and new difficulties the new appointments of experts to organize supplies of food and transport are important.

## BRITAIN DENIES GERMAN REPORTS

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LONDON, England (Wednesday)—A German official communiqué claims that German submarines torpedoed two large transports between 5000 and 6000 tons each in the eastern Mediterranean on Nov. 28 and Dec. 3.

This statement, it is announced, is wholly incorrect as regards the character of the vessels apparently referred to and in part as to the result. The sinking of the King Malcolm, ordinary cargo ship, on Nov. 28, has already been announced. Her captain was taken prisoner by a submarine.

The Belgian steamer Keltier, previously reported sunk, has been towed into Falmouth. The British steamer Tanfield has arrived safely in port.

## PRUSSIAN MILITARY CHANGE

Special Cable to The Christian Science Monitor from its European Bureau.

BERLIN, Germany (Wednesday)—General von Stein, Prussian War Minister, has been appointed military commander-in-chief in Prussia, thus becoming controlling authority for the new laws concerning the state of war and preventive arrest.



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## NO-LICENSE VOTE GAINS THOUGH NO CITIES CHANGE

Seventeen Municipalities in Massachusetts Show Net Advance of About 2500 Votes Against the Saloon Policy

A net gain of about 2500 votes for no-license, large increases in the "no" majorities of Revere and Newburyport, the two doubtful cities voting yesterday, and reduced "yes" majorities in Lowell, Chelmsford and Chicopee were among the results of the voting on the license saloon question in 17 Massachusetts cities yesterday. Seven of the cities chose new mayors and seven re-elected their present mayors. There were no mayoralty elections in the other three cities.

Revere, which was the great battle ground this year from the prohibition standpoint, increased its "no" majority from 47 votes last year to the substantial margin of 818 yesterday. Newburyport's antisaloon margin was increased from 167 to 305. Lynn, which swung into the "no" column in 1915 with a majority of 1046 against the saloon, recorded its appreciation of saloonless thoroughfares yesterday by increasing this majority to 1403.

The two "wettest" cities voting yesterday, Lawrence and Worcester, increased their "yes" majorities and the other three "wet" cities returned substantial reductions as follows: Chelsea from 937 to 388, Chicopee from 451 to 231, and Lowell from 1472 to 802.

The "no" and "yes" votes of all the cities voting yesterday, totaled and balanced against each other, reveal an increased "no" total of about 1914 and a decreased "yes" total of 589, a net gain on the prohibition side of practically 2500 votes. Thus, at the second election for cities, the fast developing sentiment against the saloon in Massachusetts was again indicated.

The final opportunity this year for the cities to vote comes next Tuesday, Dec. 19, when Boston, Fitchburg, North Adams, Peabody and Quincy will ballot. Fifteen cities voted Dec. 5, four of them changing from "yes" to "no."

The new mayors chosen yesterday were James McPherson in Beverly, Edward E. Willard in Chelsea, John J. (Continued on page seven, column two)

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## KING OF GREECE REGRETS RECENT EVENTS IN ATHENS

Ruler Believed to Have Forfeited Rights—Said to Be Responsible for Unrest

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LONDON, England (Wednesday)—Reports from Athens are conflicting, but it is certain the Entente have not yet formulated their demands nor have diplomatic representatives left the city. Meanwhile, M. Metaxas, Greek chargé d'affaires in Paris, has expressed to the Foreign Minister the regret of the King and Athens Government at recent events in Athens, which they deplore.

It is understood a council of ministers of the Provisional Government has decided to consider King Constantine to have forfeited his rights as King of the Hellenes and the Minister of Public Instruction has issued a circular attributing events in Athens to King Constantine and holding him morally responsible.

### Belgium Grateful

She Thanks United States for Action on Deportation

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Belgian Minister, Mr. E. H. Havethwaite, has sent the following letter to the Secretary of State: "I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that I have received instructions to express to you the deep gratitude of his Majesty's Government for the noble action which the Government of the United States has been good enough to take in approaching the German Government on the subject of the deportations of Belgian civilians to Germany, and for the great interest taken by the United States Government in the defense of the unfortunate Belgian communities which have already undergone such cruel trials."

"In exile and slavery, to which these unhappy people are being dragged by an oppressor who no longer knows any law, either of God or man, they have the moral support of hearing the voice of this noble country proclaiming the new immutability of those principles of justice and freedom which are so dear to all civilized people, but above all dear to the United States, for in defense of those principles one of the greatest of her Presidents, Abraham Lincoln, gave all, even his life blood."

### Protest Made Public

Greece Asserts It Has Been Friendly Toward the Entente

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Greek legation made public Tuesday the text of Greece's protest to the Allies to the blockade of Greek ports established last Friday by the Anglo-French fleet. At the same time a copy was presented to the State Department.

"Greece, who is at peace with the powers of the Entente," says the communication, "and has never ceased giving them the most striking proofs of her firm desire to maintain with them friendly relations and mutual confidence, sees with grief these very same powers have recourse against her, to a measure which is contrary to the rules of international law, and the principles of international justice and freedom."

"The Royal Hellenic Government expecting that the Allied Governments will be good enough to inform them on what ground such a measure has been taken and of the nature of the blockade they have decided upon, protests firmly and legitimately against such measures taken against a neutral and friendly nation."

"No word of her has been received since. Orders were immediately given for available vessels to proceed to her assistance, and endeavors made by wireless to inform any vessel at sea in that vicinity. Vessels are now searching for any signs of wreckage."

The Grise was an exceptionally speedy yacht of 126 tons burden. She was purchased in the United States by J. K. L. Ross, chairman of the Canadian Pensions Board, and presented to the Department of Naval Service for use as a scout or submarine chaser. She was equipped with a torpedo tube and quick-firing guns.

The Grise carried a crew of 50, the majority from British Columbia.

## EGG STORAGE FIGURES VAGUE, AND CONFUSING

Baffling Experience of Seeker After Facts in Warehouse Holdings to Show Available Supply in Chicago

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Western Bureau

CHICAGO, Ill.—The experience of this bureau the past week trying to find out how many eggs there are in the city of Chicago shows the necessity of sworn statements of cold storage house contents easily available to the public. The crux of the price situation, which arises winter after winter, is the supply on hand. Storage house managers, commissioners and speculators, in appealing to the law of supply and demand, are vociferous in telling of the demand and in belittling the supply, but the public is virtually kept in the dark as to the actual supply.

At the finish there were some figures which appeared somewhere near correct but the conclusion, a mere estimate in round numbers, could not be satisfactory to an honest seeker after facts who could have had them in 15 minutes if the storage houses had been willing.

The same experience is reported to this bureau from other cities in the West. Storage houses refuse to do

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## CANADA TORPEDO BOAT MAY HAVE BEEN LOST AT SEA

No Word From Grise Since Craft Left Halifax for Bermuda—Search Continues

OTTAWA, Ont.—The chief censor issued the following report today:

"The Minister of Naval Service regrets to report that it is feared that H. M. Canadian torpedo boat Grise, Lieut. Walter Wingate, R. N. C. V. R. has been lost at sea with all hands."

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## AMBASSADOR

### IS GRATIFIED AT PEACE PROPOSAL

Count von Bernstorff Says Germany Has No Desire for War and Does Not Want Conquest

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Ambassador Bernstorff, after reading the press report of the German Chancellor's speech in the Reichstag yesterday and the text of the note of the Central Powers to the Entente Powers proposing a conference to discuss peace terms, authorized the following statement:

"I am gratified by the steps taken by my Government and I think that, even if they should not result in peace, they are at least proof that Germany, even in the height of a victorious campaign, has no desire to prolong human woe and suffering. Germany wants peace and does not want conquest. I cannot say anything about terms because of the reason that I do not know what they may be."

The foregoing is the only authorized statement that has been made by any official, diplomatic, or otherwise, in Washington, on the subject of the proposals made by Germany. The attitude of the Administration is one of waiting for developments. At the present moment all that the Secretary of State knows is that this Government has been asked, together with that of Spain and Switzerland, to act as messengers. The President is maintaining silence and it is expected that he will make no move unless it should

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## ATTENTION FIXED UPON PRESIDENT BY PEACE MOVE

Germany's Step Has Created Delicate Situation—Course United States Will Pursue Depends on Proposed Terms

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, D. C.—It is regarded that the German peace move has placed the President of the United States in a most delicate situation. The President's friends feel certain that he will not stoop to play into the hands of one group of belligerents at the expense of the other.

Consequently, if it shall appear later that the proposals of the Central Powers have been made merely to place themselves in a better light before the masses of their own people and for the purpose of placing the responsibility for the continuance of the war upon the Entente Allies he will have nothing to do with the matter. The one thing that the President's friends feel he desires is to have the confidence of both sides in his neutrality.

The Allied view is that the Central Powers, in making the proposals, are seeking the best terms possible while aiming to conceal the effects of the pressure that is forcing them to take this step, and that in reality they are trying to shift responsibility to their enemies while putting forward a mock concern over the sufferings and woes of humanity.

The Allied view is that nothing short of full indemnity for Belgium in addition to its integrity can be made the basis of any negotiations and that any proposition for peace that would be in the nature of a draw or the adoption of the status quo is unthinkable.

The view is that if the Allies should consent to a conference in the absence of any definite terms they would stand before the world as having deserted the cause for which they have been fighting and as having lost the war. The Allies believe that the Central Powers have taken this step in order to gain the sympathy of neutrals.

On the other hand every German source of information seeks to make emphatic the assertion that the step is taken in entire good faith and based on a sincere desire to stop unnecessary suffering. The next few days are counted upon to reveal which of the two is correct.

The purpose of the President is still to leave the United States free and unembarrassed to act in any legitimate way to bring about peace when the proper time comes. It is considered certain, however, that the President will take steps to learn the attitude of the Entente Allies towards the peace move.

Officials who are familiar with the situation know, even now, that the Entente Allies never will consent even to enter upon any negotiations that, by any possible means, might result in the moral loss of the war. So many sacrifices have been made for the cause that they have been contending for that it is not considered probable that they will regard the proposal in any other light than a mere attempt to place responsibility for a continuance of

## NO TRUCE, SAYS CANADA PREMIER ON GERMAN MOVE

Peace for Many Years to Come  
Is Hope of Dominion, Says Sir Robert Borden in Speech to Saskatoon Audience

Special to The Christian Science Monitor  
SASKATOON, Sask.—At the largest public meeting ever held in this city, Sir Robert Borden answered, on behalf of one of the nations of the British Empire, Germany's proposals for peace.

"It is the determination of the people of this land—of the peoples of the British Empire—that there shall be no truce," he said. "There shall be peace, which means peace for many years to come. That is the spirit of the people of Canada as it is the spirit of her men at the front, in the hospitals and in training."

Sir Robert spoke very earnestly and with marked deliberation, and his remarks were received with applause.

"We are in Canada," he went on, "need not call any out to witness that we did not want war. Our thoughts were of peace, were engaged in a great peaceful enterprise of nation building, and perhaps we were in danger of sinking into materialism. Nothing was further from us than the thought of war."

"But beneath all this lay buried in the heart and soul of our country the sacred fire of liberty which broke into flame as war encompassed us and will continue to burn clear and bright long after we go through this war to the only possible conclusion. We fight not only for the right to maintain the Empire, not only for the rights of small nations, not only to enforce a decent regard for the sanctity of treaties, but to preserve the future democracy of liberty and of humanity."

"Unless we bring this war to that conclusion, then I say to you tonight, to the people of Canada, that all our sacrifice shall have been in vain. But I have no doubts. This Dominion, all the British dominions, and the mother country, are bound in the indissoluble resolve that there shall be no peace until we have won by our arms the warrant and safeguarded the demand for a peace that shall endure, a peace that shall guarantee the liberties of mankind."

There was no public building of the capacity to care for the immense audiences, so two halls were utilized and the Prime Minister spoke in both. Sir Robert will continue his address in the west, speaking at Edmonton, Vancouver, Victoria, Calgary and Regina, urging national service.

## COMPULSORY LABOR DECREED IN POLAND

Special to The Christian Science Monitor  
BERNE, Switzerland—According to the Polish paper *Nowa Reforma*, the chief of police in Warsaw informed the Municipal Council, after the proclamation of the new kingdom of Poland, that the Governor-General had issued a decree ordering the compulsory enlistment of workers for the army and for Germany, with a view to completing the regulations already promulgated for the purpose of combating the "discipline of the population for work." This compulsory enlistment, it was stated, would not affect those who reported themselves voluntarily to the labor department which had been set up; but it was added that those who were in need, or already in receipt of relief, could be held liable to compulsory labor. In Warsaw and Lodz collecting stations for "shirkers" have been set up, where work will be allotted them according to their capabilities. Others are to be assigned to the civil labor battalions, and these, like those at the collecting stations, will be under military control.

The local authorities were urged to give these measures their fullest support, but reports that have since reached Switzerland state that General von Beseler's proclamation of compulsory labor with its attendant threat of imprisonment in the event of refusal has caused considerable unrest in Warsaw. The communal council refused to cooperate in the German authorities' arrangements for the transport of Polish workers to Germany, and the Polish press also protested openly against the Governor-General's decree. It is stated that in view of these difficulties the German authorities are canvassing for volunteers, and have declared they do not contemplate resorting to compulsory measures for the moment.

## THREE PETITIONS ON PROHIBITION

Special to The Christian Science Monitor  
from its Washington Bureau  
WASHINGTON, D. C.—Three petitions seeking national prohibition in the United States were received in the Senate today. Senator Weeks presented one from citizens of Leister, Mass.; Senator Tillman on behalf of citizens of Spartanburg and Pickens, S. C.; and Senator Oliver on behalf of citizens of Pennsylvania.

Senator Wadsworth presented the petition of Union veterans of the Civil War of Oneida County, New York, seeking an investigation of the alleged deportation of citizens of Belgium.

Senator Sherman offered an amendment to a bill now in Congress to provide for an investigation of controversies affecting interstate commerce.

## EGG STORAGE FIGURES VAGUE AND CONFUSING

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vulge contents. And from one or two points, where the warehouses do give the facts on supply, the public state of thought is reported easier.

But says the storage house man, the Government and the warehouse men's association issue reports on storage house contents. True, and these figures can be taken at what they are worth. They are compiled from voluntary statements, made or not as the storage man chooses, and honest or not, as he is honest.

Neither statement gives out figures for cities or even individual states, the warehouse association's report supplying monthly figures for the country as a whole, the government giving monthly totals for groups of states. These monthly reports may be of as much or more value to the speculator in indicating tendencies, such as the effect of the boycott, as to the public in declaring actual supply.

The egg trade would like certified publicity. Within the last year the National Poultry, Butter and Egg Association has recommended legislation to this end. If the National Conference on Marketing and Farm Credits, which met here last week, can be taken to represent the poultry raisers, the producers want the same thing. In some states the public has asked and secured it by legislative enactment.

The outstanding feature of a week's inquiry into the local situation is the general ignorance or indifference to the supply on hand in Chicago, which is today a chief factor in the situation. The investigator ingeniously started by going to a well-known egg candier, thinking a man in touch with the storage houses and 400 other candlers, might know. His guess was 12,000,000 dozen, or two-thirds too high for final conclusions. Then to a commission merchant holding hundreds of cases. He could make no guess at all. The secretary of the Chicago Butter and Egg Board made no estimate. The chairman of the board's publicity committee did not try. The National Poultry, Butter and Egg Association didn't know but what would attempt to find out.

An egg dealer of some authority in the trade looked into his files and quickly answered 3,000,000 dozen more than we believe right. City officials didn't know. The Government, interested in tracing possible combinations, had not thought of it until this bureau asked it to find out, and the widespread publication of 500,000 cases resulted from this query.

An attempt to do the reasonable thing, get the figures from each storage house and add up the totals, keeping in confidence each house's name and number, failed largely because the house reputed to have largest holdings and around which most of the speculative interest circles, refused any information at all. Two others out of eight refused. One, however, not only gave its figures but got from somewhere an estimate on the totals, and the butter association came through with its guess, based partly on figures and partly on estimate. The local produce bulletin referred back to the butter-and-egg board, and the attempt to get some idea of the stocks from a number of other parties was equally fruitless.

**Egg Dealers Fined**  
NEW YORK, N. Y.—Thirty-seven produce merchants were convicted here of having sold cold storage eggs for fresh eggs. Individual fines ranged from \$2 to \$10. It is announced that 200 other cases are pending and it is the intention to prosecute the offenders vigorously.

## NAVY NEWS

Special to The Christian Science Monitor  
from its Washington Bureau  
WASHINGTON, D. C.—The following special orders were issued Wednesday:

Orders to officers:  
Asst. Surg. E. A. Brown, M. R. C. to Norfolk; Nav. Cons. A. J. Chanty Jr., commissioned from Oct. 30; Paymaster R. H. Orr, detached navy pay office, Manila, to home and wait orders; Asst. Paymaster M. C. Merriman, detached navy publicity bureau to Sterrett, Dec. 31.

**Movements of Vessels**  
Arrived—Bushnell, Cummings, Nicholson, Rowan, Sampson at Hampton Roads; H-1, H-2, at Marshfield; Sterrett, at Savannah; Wheeling, at Vera-cruz; Leonidas, at Gulf of San Bias. Sailed—Arizona, Guantanamo to New York; Chattanooga, Manzanillo to San Diego; Hancock, Sanchez to Puerto Plata; Lamson, Jacksonville to Key West.

## CONTRIBUTIONS FROM COLONIES

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LONDON, England—The following further contributions from the West Indian colonies have recently been made to the undermentioned funds:

From Barbados, £257 8s. 5d. to the Prince of Wales National Relief Fund.

From British Honduras, three drafts of £100 each to the National Committee for Relief in Belgium.

From Trinidad, £9 10s. to the National Committee for Relief in Belgium.

From Dr. MacAdam, Government medical officer, British Guiana, £25 2s. to St. Dunstan's Hostel for Soldiers Blinded in the War.

From St. Kitts, Nevis, £7 18s. 7d. to the National Committee for Relief in Belgium.

## DAUGHTERS OF CONFEDERACY

Boston Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, held its monthly meeting at 301 Newbury Street yesterday. Mrs. Roscoe Hall Cheesley presided and after the business meeting a program of music was given.

## EXPERT FORCE ORGANIZED TO AID CANADA

Prof. McCallum of Toronto University to Head Board for Research Work—Industrial Problems to Be Investigated

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

OTTAWA, Ont.—The Government has called into action a strong war force of experts which will ally to its purpose and enlist in its service, the various agencies and activities at present engaged in research with a view to coordination and such extension as may be necessary. Industrial research will be supervised by a subcommittee of the Cabinet, composed of the Ministers of Trade, Mines, Labor, Interior and Agriculture. They will be assisted by an advisory council of which Prof. A. B. McCallum of Toronto University will be chairman.

The work of the advisory council, acting in conjunction with the committee of the Privy Council, will be along the following general lines: to be warred and extended as experience dictates: "To ascertain and tabulate the various agencies in Canada which are now carrying on research in the universities and colleges, in the various laboratories of the Government, in business organizations and industries, in associations or by private or associated investigators.

"To note and schedule the lines of research and investigation that are being pursued by each agency, their facilities and equipment therefor, the possibilities of extension and expansion, and particularly to ascertain the scientific man power available for research and the necessity of adding thereto.

"To coordinate these agencies so as to prevent overlapping of effort, to induce cooperation and team work, and to build up a community of interest, knowledge and mutual helpfulness between each other.

"To make themselves acquainted with the problems of a technical nature that are met with by our productive and industrial interests, and to bring them into contact with the proper research agencies for solving these problems, and thus link up their resources with the labor and capital employed in production so as to bring about the best possible results.

"To make a study of our common unused resources and the waste and by-products of our farms, forests, fisheries and industries, with a view to their utilization in new or subsidiary processes of manufacture, and thus contributing to the employment and wealth of our people.

"To study the ways and means by which the present small number of competent and trained research men can be added to from the students and graduates in our universities and colleges, and to bring about in the common interest a more complete cooperation between the industrial and productive interests of the country, and the teaching centers and forces of research.

"To inform and stimulate the public mind in regard to the importance and utility of applying the results of scientific and industrial research to the processes of production by means of addresses to business and industrial bodies, by the publication of bulletins and monographs, and such other methods as may seem advisable."

## SCHOOL PROBLEMS IN UNITED KINGDOM

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

LONDON, England—There is at present evidence of strain in the relations between some of the secondary schools aided by the London County Council and the Education Committee of that body. Reasons for this are not hard to find. To begin with, the local authority maintains its own staff of inspectors, so that these schools have to submit to a system of inspection additional to that of the Board of Education. It is an ill task to serve two masters. Then again, though the traditions and present circumstances of these schools are widely different, yet important distinctions between them are inadequately recognized by the council. And lastly, control over details of organization and expenditure, such as might wisely be left to the schools themselves, is being made more and more stringent. There are those who hold that this bureaucratic action is the result of the substitution of the County Council, as London's education authority, for the old School Board. They forget, however, that the former directly-elected board had no authority whatever in regard to secondary schools. Such control was given by the same act as made the London County Council the education authority, and empowered it to aid schools of this kind financially.

No doubt there were a few members of the old School Board who gave a great deal of their time to getting into actual touch with the schools within the metropolitan area, and who had better opportunities of using their knowledge effectively than is now possible in a mere committee of the council. In some degree their influence may have tempered the ways of officialdom. But the very increase in the work of London's education authority has undoubtedly led to more bureaucratic methods, and the remedy is probably to be found, not in a return to the former system, or in fresh legislation at all, but in wise action on the part of the council itself, tending to decentralize its administration of school matter.

## AMERICAN SHIP NOW GREEK

PORTLAND, Me.—P. H. Doyen has sold the freighter America, built here two years ago at a cost of \$30,000 to a Greek syndicate for \$125,000. The freighter, which is now in New York loading for Marseilles, has been renamed Olga, and will sail under the Greek flag.

## SPAIN ADOPTS NEW LAW OF SUBSISTENCES

Measure to Improve Welfare of People and Prevent Exploitation of Resources

By The Christian Science Monitor special Spanish correspondent

MADRID, Spain.—The new Law of Subsistences, a measure which was first introduced by the Dato Government, has now at last been passed, and constitutes the most remarkable act of its kind ever carried through the Spanish Cortes. Its object is to guarantee the food and well-being of the people during the war and to prevent the country's resources being exploited unfairly. It withdraws, temporarily, the customs dues on importations of food commodities of the first necessity, and primary materials, imposed transport taxes on the railroad companies, fixes the price of foodstuffs, and gives the Government power, in case of necessity, to requisition the merchant fleet, and to fix the price of coal. If it is necessary, the Government proposes eventually to requisition wheat and other foodstuffs.

The ministers of finance and commerce express themselves as quite satisfied that there exist in many places in the country great stores of wheat and flour which are more than enough to guarantee the food of the population, and these will be discovered and utilized. At the last moment a new clause was inserted in the measure giving power to the Government to proceed on its own responsibility with the acquisition of every kind of product judged necessary to the National economy. This is aimed particularly at the monopolists of coal and corn. Ministers say that the new law will be most rigorously applied, and that the monopolists will be broken without mercy. It is further declared that the Government has in view to forbid the exportation of iron, thereby acquiring a basis for international negotiations, having for their object to obtain by reciprocity the importation into Spain of certain other articles. The Senate passed the new law, when it came from the Chamber.

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**DEVELOPMENT OF FRENCH AVIATION**  
PARIS, France—In an interesting article the Temps reviews the extraordinary development of aviation during the war. The record flight of 1908, namely, 121 kilometers, it points out, has long been surpassed. The flight to Espana was 300 kilometers, and French machines have frequently flown over Germany, making long distance raids, and penetrating much further into the country than any Fokker has been permitted to go in French territory. Marked progress has been made in the apparatus and motor engines. Since the beginning of the war speed has been doubled, the rate of ascent has been increased tenfold, the weight an aviator can carry is now five or ten times greater than it was. The reliability of the motors has been established and their power has been increased threefold, and now some machines employ two or three motors. The courage and boldness of the French aviators is the admiration even of their enemies.

The article then comments on the work of the Syndical Chamber of Aeronautical Industries, saying that they have shown by agreements and organizations that they are preparing for future developments in aviation. The employment of aeroplanes for carrying letters and light packages is already indicated. The Minister of Commerce has taken up the question, continues the Temps, has considered it favorably, and is interested in the studies that are being made with regard to it. The transport of mails by air routes might be aided to the existing services, such transport having the advantage of being both economical and rapid. Regular air services of two or three kilometers could be multiplied, and air transport companies formed and subsidized by the State. In this way France would achieve the organization of a postal postal service.

Such developments would probably lead on to colonial aviation, by which aeroplanes would fly from distant ports into the interior, carrying letters to begin with, and later light parcels, and finally, passengers. Before the building of railway lines in distant countries, air routes will almost certainly be seen, continues the article, and this for economic reasons which will be readily understood. This new route can be easily pictured, marked out by a telegraphic line, and landing places to which the aviators would be able to descend if necessary.

## TELEGRAPH CASE CONTINUED

Another continuance was granted by Judge Murray in the Municipal Criminal Court today on the Western Union Telegraph Company and the State Board of Labor and Industries case which already has dragged along for four months in the courts with many continuances. The judge heard the lawyers' arguments a week ago in which they pleaded that they had been so busy they had not had time to file their briefs. The case is a complaint by the board against a public service corporation in which it is alleged that the company discharged some of its telegraphers because of their connection with a labor union. Arthur Lord appeared for the telegraph company and Frederick W. Mansfield for the state board.

## FITCHBURG ROAD STOCK OF \$5,000,000 VALUED AT \$500,000

Boston & Maine Receivership Proceedings Are Continued in U. S. District Court

By The Christian Science Monitor

In his examination of the assets of the Boston & Maine Railroad in the United States District Court today, Conrad W. Crocker, counsel for a minority stockholder, brought out an admission from William J. Hobbs, vice-president of the railroad in charge of the Spanish Cortes. Its object is to guarantee the food and well-being of the people during the war and to prevent the country's resources being exploited unfairly. It withdraws, temporarily, the customs dues on importations of food commodities of the first necessity, and primary materials, imposed transport taxes on the railroad companies, fixes the price of foodstuffs, and gives the Government power, in case of necessity, to requisition the merchant fleet, and to fix the price of coal. If it is necessary, the Government proposes eventually to requisition wheat and other foodstuffs.

The ministers of finance and commerce express themselves as quite satisfied that there exist in many places in the country great stores of wheat and flour which are more than enough to guarantee the food of the population, and these will be discovered and utilized. At the last moment a new clause was inserted in the measure giving power to the Government to proceed on its own responsibility with the acquisition of every kind of product judged necessary to the National economy.

Although Mr. Crocker's examination centered on the value of the Fitchburg property, he extended it to the smaller assets of the Boston & Maine. He also sought to inquire into the various extensions of the notes covering the floating indebtedness, but he was restricted to a specific examination of the note held by the Intercontinental Rubber Company. He showed that this note had been reduced from \$100,000 to \$50,000 through the offices of J. P. Morgan & Co.

The securities held by the Boston & Maine, mostly those of leased lines, had a value of \$11,475,430, according to Mr. Hobbs. The securities of each line in the system were then taken up for consideration.

Many of these securities are stocks and bonds in small companies which Mr. Hobbs said were of doubtful or no value whatever. This was notably the case with the stocks and bonds of the St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain Railroad, which Mr. Hobbs declared were worse than worthless. He said this railroad, 100 miles in length, was worth little more than its junk value as it showed a continuous deficit in operation.

## FRENCH CIRCLES ADD VIEWS TO PEACE QUESTION

Opinions on Scheme to Settle Disputes by Law Given by M. Hanotoux and Congress of Ligue des Droits de l'Homme

Special to The Christian Science Monitor  
PARIS, France—The problem of peace has recently been raised with considerable vigor in two widely distinct circles of thought and by different methods. The one is expressed in an article in the *Revue des deux Mondes*, by M. Gabriel Hanotoux, a former Minister of Foreign Affairs, and the other in the decisions reached at the congress of the Ligue des Droits de l'Homme. There is still, in many quarters, a great reluctance to tolerate any peace discussion at the present moment, since it is generally recognized in France that no peace can be durable that is not a result of the victory of the Allied arms, and that therefore, until that event is an accomplished fact the Allied Governments, who are parties to the Treaty of London, ought not to be handicapped by any protracted discussion of details. In spite of this feeling, which is almost general in political and influential circles, it is useless to deny that immense public interest has been raised by these somewhat unexpected discussions.

M. Hanotoux's article "Le Problème de la Paix" is based entirely upon the assumption of the victory of the Allied arms. He points out that three great questions will need to be dealt with, viz.: punishment, compensation and future safety; the latter being the essential part of the problem. To this end M. Hanotoux contends that the House of Hohenzollern must disappear as a factor in European politics; that it is not sufficient merely to destroy Prussian militarism, but that a new Europe, rational and properly balanced, must be founded. Three stages will be necessary, he asserts. First an armistice, then a peace conference, and finally the putting into effect of the terms of the treaty of peace itself.

That moment when the armistice commences and the consideration arises as to who will be entitled to take part in the peace conference, will be the critical moment for the future of Europe. M. Hanotoux goes on to point out that since the German confederates are not vassal, but sovereign, Prussia per se has no international quality which entitles her to be the sole representative of the German people, and consequently each State must participate entirely on its own account, a point of view which, if acted upon, would render the German Empire impotent. In a word, in the newly organized Europe Germany will have her place, but nothing more. She will not be allowed to monopolize or dominate Europe and the only method of securing this, according to M. Hanotoux, is that Germany should be relegated to the status quo ante 1870, that is to say to the place she occupied before the creation of the German Empire. Thus Bismarck's work, which was the result of force and never the result of European acceptance, must be undone. As to the future, M. Hanotoux inclines to the idea that the Hague conference alone will not suffice to guarantee absolutely the future peace of Europe, and that a sufficiently international force must be maintained to enforce the observance of the terms of the international treaty of peace.

The other exposition of the question emanates from the congress of the Ligue des Droits de l'Homme, a powerful organization in France, which has just been held under the presidency of M. Maurice Moutet, the deputy for the Rhône. After much deliberation the following resolutions were passed by the members of the congress with the exception of three votes. That out of the present war there must arise, through the victory of the Allies, a new international regime founded on justice. In the following terms the perpetual doctrine of the Hague as touching a lasting peace is summed up:

1. A durable peace is only possible when a society of nations is established in which each shall apply to other nations the same rules that it applies to its own members, viz.: The settlement of all disputes by the law and not by force. This society must take its stand on the recognition of the right of nations, both small and great, to independence; upon the application of the rule of compulsory arbitration to all international disputes without exception or reserve, and upon the organization of an international power capable of repressing, with universal consent, all attempt at revolt or aggression.

2. In order to establish a durable peace, the future treaty shall contain no hint of war of revenge. It shall respect the right of nations to govern themselves. It shall not act toward the will of the people with regard to the dismemberment of states, nor with regard to annexation of territory, but will, on the contrary, annul all annexation imposed by force, such as that of Alsace and Lorraine. It will re-establish all crushed nations, assuring to each one a régime in accord with its own expressed wishes. It will institute an economical régime which, with the reservation of providing temporary measures, shall guarantee to each nation the exercise of its own legitimate activity without being economically compelled to follow any economic organization.

Justice demands that the future treaty of peace shall institute penalties in the case of those Powers which have conducted the war against the law of nations, and the imposition of



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Li Yuan Hung, President of China

compensation upon the aggressive states, proportionate to the amount of damage inflicted; in short a system or ensemble of guarantees which, without infringing the fundamentals above stated and notably without having recourse to arms or to force shall protect the world against any fresh attack.

3. In consequence the congress believes that to conclude a peace before it would be possible to establish it upon the basis above defined would be to make right subservient to force and to condemn the world in the near future to a still more terrible catastrophe. Finally, acting upon the declaration made by the statesmen of the Entente, the congress expresses the hope that henceforth, in order to give the world a first proof of their intention, the Allied governments will decide to submit to arbitration all future conflicts; that they will form a federation between themselves which may serve as a model for the future society of nations and will make ready to welcome all those small and great nations which without having entered into conflict, will agree to observe the rules of the pact and to guarantee the right of each one by the strength of all.

These resolutions, while creating great interest, have necessarily produced considerable criticism. Many influential opinions incline to the idea that compulsory arbitration, without exception or reservation, would not be the best means of dealing with possible eventualities. It is thought doubtful that it would prove advisable for the allied powers to enter into positive engagements of such a far-reaching nature, while there remained outside of such a pact a group of hostile powers which would not be bound by a like arrangement.

## FARMERS UNION URGES OWNERSHIP BY GOVERNMENT

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Southern Bureau

PALATKA, Fla.—That the United States Government should take over, on a basis of physical valuation, all railroads, steamship lines, telegraph and telephone lines and natural mineral resources, forests and water powers, is the recommendation of resolutions adopted at the convention here of the National Farmers Educational and Cooperative Union of America.

The majority of the states were represented at the conference. The taking over of the public utilities and natural resources is held to be a duty of the Government in the interests of "all the people."

The convention criticized the Government for its alleged lack of financial foresightedness.

## CHILE AND PERU MAY RENEW FRIENDSHIP

By special correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina—From well-informed Chilean circles it is stated that the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Chile, Dr. Torciano, and Dr. Augusto Durand, the new Peruvian Minister to Argentine Republic, reached an agreement, when the latter was passing through Santiago on his way to Buenos Aires, which will lead to a renewal of diplomatic relations between Chile and Peru.

In his address of welcome to his guests at the dinner in the Palace, King Haakon said: It must be a great encouragement to you to know that the whole people regard the meeting which is to take place with confidence and sympathy. It is a pleasing fact that the initiative taken by King Gustaf in arranging the meeting at Malmö has not only led to the meetings between the statesmen of the respective countries being continued, but all classes in the northern kingdoms have followed suit, which proves that the idea of solidarity is based on neutrality, and that the effort to realize this has appealed to the peoples of the Empire have been quickened by these greatest of all industrial necessities—the railroad pioneers.

In this sudden railroad development, the characteristics of the people of the country have been manifest. Brazil has been called the land of extravagance, the spoiled child of Europe. She has been able to get money from the Old World for the asking and the natural riches of the country are so great that she has thought that if resources ran low in one direction there were many other treasure-houses of wealth in her untouched domains, and spending has been natural with these favored people. Nothing is more repugnant to the average South American than economy, and as long as the first land fortunes of these countries continue to exist, Brazil, like her neighbors, will not concern herself overmuch with the more trying pursuits of manufacturing development.

It is thought by certain astute business men down here that after the war the purse strings of Europe will not be as ready of access as in the past, and that this may be to the ultimate advantage of Brazil's indigenous populations. But regarding this question, probably one man's guess is as good as another, and the suppositions are at present far too numerous and vague to permit of certified forecasts.

Certain it is, however, that during the early railway projections in this Republic, money was spent lavishly. Brazil's borrowings were large. Money was forthcoming, and streams of immigrants followed the newly laid roads, in some cases the European settlers bivouacked in advance along the freshly surveyed lines and staked their claims in a fashion resembling the pioneer railroad days in the far West of the United States.

While the principal trade is done in copra, the exports include cacao, bark, maize and shells for making pearl buttons. British vessels bring all exports to Australia and stores and rations are sent in return. According to particulars furnished by the Defense Department to the Home Affairs Journal, there are 75,000 acres under cultivation and 12,000 natives are employed generally on three-year contracts.

## RAILROADS LEAD IN DEVELOPMENT WORK IN BRAZIL

### Need Now Pointed Out for New Lines in Central Territory Untouched by Roads Connecting Coastal Points

By special correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil—Baron d'Anthouard, in his book entitled "Le Progrès Brésilien," warns the Brazilians that they must needs guard against the "influence of space." He who studies the history of the railways of this republic, which is of such extent that it has been called a continent, soon discovers how difficult has been the task, not only to pierce the far-away portions of this vast land, but also of developing anything like a cohesive system.

The writer has talked with scores of business men in this country, and whether they were foreigners or Brazilians, before the conversation was over something would be said concerning the insistent need of railroads properly located. "The mistake has been," said a manager of a large line of steamships, "of giving guarantees by the Government to foreign concerns and not prescribing with care and good judgment where these lines should run and stop, to bring most profit and development to the country." He told of a European company receiving a large guarantee for a short road, and the investment looked so good to the company that it proceeded to build road about as long again as was actually needed, and in part through territory where there was no prospect of business.

To the question of the writer as to whether the investment, or the building of railroads in Brazil was good business on the part of Americans, it was replied that, providing the company selected some of the newly developing central territory and had sufficient capital to rely upon, this furnished one of the very greatest opportunities now open to foreigners.

Railroads in Brazil followed the lines of least resistance, and began by connecting the points where traffic was most promising, and that was nearest the coastal towns. A country with an area of 3,000,000 square miles and with the major portion of its 23,000,000 of population living on or near its widely extending sea coast, naturally built its railways to accommodate its inhabitants. It is only of late that we hear of a "Canadian Pacific of the South," joining Brazilian and Bolivian lines and thus uniting the iron roads of commerce the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. There are also further plans intended to bring together Argentina and Paraguay and Brazil by iron rails and to link up the rich interior of the greater Republic with the numerous coastal systems in a coordinated railway whole.

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As a historical background they had a Scandinavianism which was shattered in the winter of 1864, and a union which broke up in the summer of 1905. No one who witnessed what took place in the Norwegian capital 11 years ago would ever have dreamt it possible to see what we did today. There were no waving plumes, no banners, no flourish of trumpets; merely two tall hats, with umbrellas, that was all. But it was Sweden who came to Christiania with a friendly hand outstretched to Norway.

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premiums were paid for each kilometer of road built. Engineers came. Scientists came. Brazil suddenly became conscious that her future as a nation depended upon her economic development, and railroads comprised perhaps the most primal element of this new order.

But this was not the only avenue into which the new Republic poured her new-borne riches from England and France. There were vast construction schemes, including harbors, dockage, city beautifying, and great sanitation projects in the larger centers of population. It was a shining period of industrial renaissance in the early '90s in this newest of South American republics. Brazil was the most extravagant world customer, and no one seemed to consider the inevitable day of reckoning. That this day came, we all know, and it plunged these people into a deep pit of indebtedness. But the railways came, and today one hears the Brazilian talking of his 18,000 or more miles of railways, modern in their accessories, and piercing through mountain and tropical jungle to let in the light of civilized and commercial day to well nigh every remote corner of this varied and fabulous land.

No one visits Brazilian cities to any extent without realizing that railroads were not built with ease in this country. With an extent larger than three-fourths of Europe, Brazil possesses no such railroad country as, for example, has engaged the attention of the engineer in Argentina and the United States. In the Argentine there is for the most part a level and compact country, and the American railways found comparatively easy access through the mountains and the configurations of the Mississippi valley. The foreign engineer was confronted in Brazil at the outset by the formidable coastal barrier of the Serra do Mar range of mountains, which stretches along the water front dividing the Atlantic from the uplands of the interior, affording easy entrance only through a few narrow passes. This made the first railway construction the most difficult, as well as the most costly. Incidentally this natural obstacle has made the railway travel in Brazil perhaps more grandly picturesque than in any other South American state, with the possible exception of Peru, where like mountain chains cut off the sea from the inland areas.

For example, the first great tunnel, 245 yards in length, of the Central Railway of Brazil, required seven years to build, and was the reason of the bankruptcy of the line. The writer landed in this country at Santos, taking the remarkable ride up the steep side of the Serra on the São Paulo-Santos line, operated by rope haulage on the "endless rope" system, by which the traveler is lifted about 2000 feet in a brief time amid scenic panoramas quite indescribable. One is amazed at the prodigious engineering which this line presents, at the cost as well as at the care taken to preserve its safety. The drainage from the mountains is carried away in cement channels, the tunnels and care of the rocks along the roadbed (the rocks painted to preserve them from decay), the modern cottages for the employees, and the beautiful station of São Paulo, all revealing a remarkable perfection of railroading under extreme difficulties.

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## CERTAIN DEALERS HELD RESPONSIBLE IN COAL SITUATION

Attorney General Makes Report on Investigation of Recent Price Advances

Certain New England coal dealers were responsible for the so-called hard coal panic which resulted in advancing the price, and, instead of a shortage, something more than the normal amount of coal was received from the mines, according to the findings by Attorney General Henry C. Attwill in his investigation of commodity prices in behalf of the State of Massachusetts.

The result of a similar coal investigation by Leo A. Rogers, special United States attorney, acting under the direction of United States District Attorney George W. Anderson, now in charge of the country-wide high cost of living investigation, has not yet been made public. Mr. Rogers said recently that he knew of no effort to bring the coal dealers before the Federal grand jury.

Mr. Attwill finds that rumors of a coal shortage were permitted to go broadcast through New England, and that coincidently came an increase in prices. It was claimed by some of the dealers last spring and summer that the munition makers were consuming an unusual amount of both hard and soft coal, and that great quantities of coal was being shipped to Canada. Mr. Attwill finds that there has been practically no exportation of coal, and that on the other hand coal is being imported from Canada. Mr. Attwill said last night:

"My investigation indicates that there has been far more coal, both anthracite and bituminous, brought into New England during the year ending Oct. 1, 1916, than during the year ending Oct. 1, 1915. This would indicate that there is no substantial shortage of coal in New England, and the high price has been caused largely by the very general buying of coal by the people through fear that there would be a shortage.

"In other words, everybody began to hoard. It is true that in certain localities in New England there may be a shortage. I am confident that if we had a system of economic conservation and distribution of coal, such as a Government like Germany undoubtedly has, there would be no suffering among the people this winter for lack of coal."

It is a matter of public record that coal dealers were excitedly crying "shortage" last summer. This came at a time when more coal was pouring into New England than the year before. The average man with a family immediately began to store for the winter. Unprecedented demands came upon the dealers for coal. The orders came so fast that the latter were unable to deliver them.

The following is a petition sent out by C. A. Chadwick, coal dealer of Newton, which is being signed by many other dealers and consumers:

To the honorable senators and representatives from Massachusetts in the Congress of the United States: The undersigned, coal dealers and consumers, beg to direct your attention to the tremendous advance in the price of coal and to urge upon you the necessity of immediately dealing with the situation by national legislation by way of placing a temporary embargo upon the exportation of coal, believing as we do that by stopping the exportation of coal, we will conserve our country's supply and decrease the excessive demand, thereby reducing the price."

The special High-Cost of Living Commission appointed by the Governor will hold its first meeting tomorrow and take up the subject of coal.

## CHESTER CATHEDRAL

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CHESTER, England.—The Union Jack of H. M. S. Chester, the ship on which the boy, Jack Cornwell, V. C., so greatly distinguished himself in the Battle of Jutland, was deposited at Chester Cathedral recently. It is the first naval trophy to be hung in the cathedral. Chester owes its cathedral to the whim of a king. At the time of the dissolution of the monasteries Henry VIII chose to select St. Werburgh's as the seat of one of the five new bishoprics which he created out of the revenues of the dissolved monasteries. St. Werburghs, therefore, though of less architectural beauty than the Romanesque St. Johns, became Chester Cathedral. A remarkable thing about it is its immense south transept, which is nearly as large as the nave. The reason of this peculiarity is to be found in the town chronicles of the Fourteenth Century. The abbey was at that time in possession of great wealth and the monks wished to enlarge their church. The north side was blocked by the refectory, chapter house and cloisters; on the south was the parish church of St. Oswalds. The Abbot came to terms with the townsfolk, agreeing to build them a new church on the site of what is now the music hall. The agreement was faithfully kept on the part of the monks, but in the Fifteenth Century, the new south transept being finished, the parishioners claimed it as their own and made good their claim. To get into what, up to the Nineteenth Century, was again to be their parish church, they cut the Fifteenth Century doorway through the lower part of the window at the south end of the west aisle. In 1874, the wall which divided the cathedral from its south transept was removed, the parishioners were again provided with a new church, and the immense transept was finally united to the original building.

## M. ALEXANDRE TALKS ON ART OF FRANCE

In the lecture room of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts Tuesday afternoon, Arsène Alexandre, inspector of provincial museums in France, gave a talk on French art, touching briefly on characteristic works of architecture, sculpture and painting from the thirteenth to the nineteenth centuries, and illustrating his comments with lantern views. He made a sort of general foundation for his lecture the thesis that French art has upheld before the world two ideals of expression, namely, grandeur and beneficence, and he showed how these ideals are recorded in the outlines of the early medieval churches, notably Notre Dame of Paris, the cathedrals of Rheims and Rouen, and the structures at Beauvais and Chartres.

He noted that the grandeur of the medieval architecture has nothing of terror about it, like certain works of antiquity, for example, the Pyramids of Egypt, but always has sublimity and elevation. And French art from first to last, he maintained, has a smile, which in the earlier manifestations is rare and precious, mysterious and profound; not a grimace, but a smile of ecstasy, as in the best period of Greek art.

From the churches, the lecturer turned to early French painting and showed on the screen paintings from churches in the southern districts of France, remarking that some of them had been little studied and made subjects of formal criticism. Simplicity, tenderness and tragic gravity noted as distinguishing marks of one; action, contrasted with sweetness he pointed to another.

The lecturer passed over Renaissance times and took up the Seventeenth Century, mentioning especially Poussin, whom he described as thinking in a parallel line with Descartes, the philosopher, inasmuch as he was a formulator of a new type of art. He referred to Poussin's work in introducing the so-called classic methods and illustrated with a mythological group by the painter. In addition to works of pagan inspiration he showed also from this period pictures in the old ecclesiastical style.

The Eighteenth Century the lecturer described as a time when method triumphed and when the smile in French art became captivating. This point is illustrated by familiar reproductions of the work of Watteau and Fragonard. He illustrated the change from the graceful lines of the monarchy to the hard formalism of the empire, showing the political picture "The Coronation" by David. He held that grandeur persisted in French art in these later periods, the smile, however, becoming touched with melancholy. As an exemplar of the romanticism of the mid-Nineteenth Century spoke of Delacroix; and as typical of the modern French spirit he praised Puvis de Chavannes, referring for illustration to a portrait which the artist painted of his wife and mentioning also his mural pictures in the Boston Public Library.

## PACKERS' APPEAL WITHDRAWN

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Supreme Court proceedings in the Missouri Beef Trust case ended when the court, upon request of Armour & Co., Swift & Co., the Hammond Packing Company and others, dismissed the packers' appeals from Missouri decrees, assessing \$25,000 fines for alleged violation of the State antitrust laws. Dismissal of the cases, the court was advised, was due to negotiations now in progress for their settlement between Attorney-General Barker of Missouri and Frank Hagerman, counsel for the packers.

## BOSTON ARCHITECTS MEET

The Boston Society of Architects held its monthly meeting and dinner at the Parker House last night. Loring Underwood gave an illustrated lecture on "Old New England Gardens." President Ralph Adams Cram presided and about 75 members attended.

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## CHARLES ANTHONY IN RECITAL FOR PIANO

Charles Anthony, pianist, in recital at Steinway Hall, afternoon of Dec. 12. The program: "Mazurkas," Ravel; Godowski; prelude from "Poussin's piano"; Debussy; "Jeu d'eau"; Ravel; presto; Scarlatti; "Almeria"; Intermezzo; Brahms; toccata; "Parades"; Papillons; Schumann; caprice; Reger; sonata, op. 26; Beethoven; "Cathedral Engtide"; Debussy; two mazurkas; "B flat minor" and D major; Chopin; "L'isle Joyeuse"; Debussy.

It has been about four years since Mr. Anthony last gave a recital in Boston. He should appear oftener than this, for he is a player whom it is a pleasure to hear and who has a message to deliver through his piano playing. This is not to say that the same degree of excellence is reached in all of his work. If the distinction might be allowed, he understands better the interpretation of the classical writers than of the moderns. Brahms, Schumann and Beethoven were the high lights of his program, with Scarlatti; "Parades" and Chopin in the strong half light, all of these throwing Debussy very much into the shadow. Now the chief charm and beauty of Debussy is that his music is not to be played as is that of other composers. Consequently the method that succeeds in making the melodies of Brahms and Beethoven sing, only obscures the more delicate harmonies and progressions of Debussy. Mr. Anthony followed the Debussy blue print in building his cathedral, but his structure loomed up emphatically above the surface—a structure plainly made of very solid material.

Mr. Anthony's technique is fleet and sure, and the program was remarkably free from false notes. His sense of melodic line is definite, as evidenced in the Beethoven sonata, which he played with clear proof of understanding and interpretative ability. He has a fine sense of the unity of a composition and a commendable difference in the face of applause.

ROXBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

At its annual meeting in the Municipal Court Building, Roxbury, this evening, the Roxbury Historical Society will make its annual award to the student of the Roxbury Latin School submitting the best essay on Roxbury history. Thomas Salter is this year's recipient of the honor. D. O. S. Lowell, headmaster of the school, will speak. Members of the board of trustees, faculty and alumni of the school are expected to be present. Charles E. Wiggin, president of the society is to preside.

BOSTON CREDIT MEN DINE

The monthly meeting of the Boston Credit Men's Association was held at Young's Hotel last evening. Alexander Whiteside of Boston, vice-president of the Massachusetts Tax Association, gave an address on "The New Income Tax Law of Massachusetts" and David H. G. Penny of New York talked on "Foreign Exchange." President H. H. Humphrey presided.

## EGGS SELLING AT LOWER PRICE THAN TWO WEEKS AGO

Eggs are selling from 6 to 8 cents a dozen lower this week than they were two weeks ago and further reductions are expected, according to egg buyers for large grocery concerns in Boston. Practically all of them say this reduction is due to increased laying and not to Federal investigation or threatened boycott.

Fresh eggs are cheaper now. Normal conditions are governing this drop, although abnormal conditions may be responsible for the comparatively high prices, one buyer said, arguing that the proportion of the drop is normal, although the prices quoted are higher than those usually asked at this time of year.

Last Wednesday the retail market for eggs started to slacken with a 5 cent drop from the high point of the season which had fresh henry eggs selling for 69 to 75 cents a dozen and cold storage from 37 to 40 cents a dozen. Fresh henry eggs are bringing from 60 to 65 cents a dozen and cold storage from 34 to 37 cents a dozen. A comparison of wholesale prices quoted last year and this year by the Boston Chamber of Commerce show fresh henry eggs selling from 14 to 15 cents higher this year, western eggs 14 cents higher and cold storage varieties 8 to 11 cents higher. The drop, according to the chamber, came about two weeks later last year, but the same approximate proportions were maintained.

One well-known grocery firm in Boston is quoting best fresh henry eggs at 65 cents a dozen today, fresh eastern eggs at 60 cents a dozen, eastern storage eggs at 40 cents a dozen and cold storage eggs at 38 cents a dozen. Another firm, which runs a chain of 156 groceries in Greater Boston, is selling henry eggs at 65 cents a dozen, and cold storage varieties at 35 to 38 cents a dozen. Both firms claim that the drop this year is at the normal time and that the Federal investigation and threatened boycott had nothing to do with the lower price.

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## STATE GRANGERS RESUME SESSIONS

Ernest F. Richardson of Millis was reelected to the board of trustees for the educational fund, for a term of three years.

This afternoon the Rev. Cortland Meyers of Cambridge speaks, after which addresses will be made by visiting officers of the National and State granges. Another session will be held this evening at which prizes will be given to the branches of the Grange which showed the most progress during the past year.

Legislative enactments for the benefit of the farmers were urged by

Worthy Master Edward E. Chapman

of Ludlow, Mass., in his annual report yesterday. One was to amend the drainage laws and another for the establishment of a market bureau, so that each city may have its public markets to aid the farmers in distributing their crops.

## STREET RAILWAY CLUB

The monthly dinner of the New England Street Railway Club was held at the Hotel Brunswick last evening with about 150 members in attendance. C. E. Denney, assistant to the president of the New York & St. Louis Railroad, was the principal speaker.

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## AMENDMENT TO ALLOW HARVEST HANDS TO ENTER

Immigration Bill Clause Adopted Gives Permission for Temporary Employment

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, D. C.—An amendment to the Immigration bill now before the Senate was adopted this afternoon, making it permissible for certain excluded immigrants to come to the United States temporarily for the purpose of helping in harvesting the crops.

A letter from the American Jewish committee of New York was read, protesting against the provision in the bill excluding political felons.

Senator Reed secured reconsideration of this clause, holding that persons who were considered felons in another country might be desirable citizens in the United States.

Senators Gallinger and Lodge held that the clause referred only to political acts considered as felonies within the meaning of that word as held in the United States.

Senator LaFollette joined with Senator Reed in contending that the clause excluding felons was destined, if accepted, to completely destroy the policy that the United States is an asylum for persecuted peoples.

It was held that such a clause would offer sufficient grounds for a presidential veto. The clause, proposed by the Immigration Committee, was at length withdrawn for the committee by its chairman, Senator Smith of South Carolina.

## People All Invited

Senate Resolution Asks Them to Attend the Inauguration

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—People of the United States are invited to visit Washington during inauguration week, Feb. 26 to March 4, by a resolution introduced in the Senate Tuesday by Senator Saulsbury of Delaware. The resolution sets forth that the purpose of the invitation is to give the people an opportunity to view the Capital and to inspect an exhibition of the various activities of the Government service.

The resolution was presented at the request of the Federation of Citizens Associations, representing a majority of the citizen's associations in the District of Columbia. It would give authority to the various executive departments and Government establishments to exhibit such activities and methods of transacting the business of the Government as can be done without detriment to the service, with the object of presenting "an educational symposium" that will be of practical benefit to the people of the country.

## Alaskan Fisheries

Bill in House Draws Attention to Enormous Food Supply

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The House in committee of the whole began consideration of the Alaska Fisheries Bill Wednesday morning. Chairman Alexander of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries called attention to the enormous food supply existing in the fisheries and to the conservation measure included this year in the bill for the first time for requiring licenses for fishing in Alaskan waters. James Wickersham, delegate from Alaska, spoke at some length against the bill, stating that in 1915 there was over \$37,000,000 invested in Alaskan fisheries, of which over \$31,000,000 was in connection with salmon canning.

## CHILD LABOR IN MASSACHUSETTS SAID TO INCREASE

Child labor in Massachusetts has increased greatly since the European war because of unusual manufacturing conditions, said Chairman Grafton D. Cushing, at a meeting of the Massachusetts Child Labor Committee in the Woman's City Club yesterday.

"Between 1914 and 1915 there was a 17 per cent increase," Mr. Cushing said, "and over 25,000 new children were given certificates to work. This year, according to figures of Dec. 1, the increase will be much larger. In Lawrence, for example, the number has doubled, and 2080 children between 14 and 16 have been certified. In Lowell 45 children have already been given certificates, as against 391 last year. In Boston, up to Nov. 1, 6256 new children have received certificates, as against 3886 for the entire year 1915."

The direct positive method of attack has been used by the committee this year, he said, and, as in Fall River, attempts have been made to get the children connected with opportunities for education and recreation.

Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard University and John F. Moors were other speakers. Dr. Eliot spoke of the need for a system of continuation schooling for children between 14 and 16. Mr. Moors advocated the profit-sharing plan for young employees as giving them interest in their work. These officers were elected for the year: Chairman, Grafton D. Cushing; vice-chairman, Frank Leveroni; treasurer, Prof. Charles F. Bradley; executive committee, Miss Estelle G. Barrows, Gerald Blake, Meyer Bloomfield, Howard W. Brown, the Rev. Pitt Dillingham, Arthur M. Hudell, Mrs. Mary Morton Knew, Mrs. George W. Perkins, the Rev. Malcom Taylor.

## SUIT AGAINST NEW HAVEN IS AGAIN IN COURT

Certain minority stockholders of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad are before the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts for a second time in an effort to hold a number of former directors liable for \$102,000,000, which it is claimed was wrongfully expended in purchasing steamboat, railroad and street railway lines in New England.

Two years ago the Supreme Court decided that the same plaintiffs had failed to show that the present board of directors had been given reasonable opportunity to sue their predecessors. Since then the plaintiffs have amended their original declaration and as the present New Haven directorate has taken no action, the same minority stockholders, headed by Ole Bull Vaughan of West Lebanon, Me., now ask the Supreme Court to approve the bill of particulars and permit the maintenance of the suit.

In his opening argument for the plaintiffs yesterday, William R. Sears referring to Moorfield Storey's advice to the directors that suits should be defended vigorously, that the expense would be very great and that it was doubtful if an action could be maintained, said:

"We submit that in a case in which sums of money are involved the fundamental question is whether there is liability. The man on the street knows that suits for millions will be vigorously defended. The directors did not need the advice of a lawyer so eminent as Mr. Storey to tell them that. We cannot believe that this honorable court will establish the doctrine that the chances of securing justice in the courts of this Commonwealth are more dependent upon the power and wealth of the parties than upon the validity of the cause of action, or that the courts will refuse a hearing to stockholders who deny that such a doctrine exists."

## WORK OF CHILDREN'S MISSION REPORTED

More children were helped by the Children's Mission to Children during the year ending June 1, 1916 than during the preceding year according to a report of the general secretary, Parker B. Field. During the sixty-seventh year the Children's Mission helped 1048 children at an expenditure of nearly \$47,000, the report reads, and 350 of these children were placed in foster homes. Mr. Field calls attention to the fact that this work is but one phase of the mission's usefulness. "An equally important side is that advisory and preventive work which deals with the children not taken into actual custody," says the report.

Emphasis is laid on the advice of William C. Redfield, United States Secretary of Commerce to "get facts—see far—think through." Investigation of the entire family is often made to find out what will help the child most and in this way adults are given aid. A deficit of \$2,260.62 is recorded for last year in the report. The finances are conducted on a business basis with the treasurer and general secretary as heads.

## TELEPHONE SUPPLIES SUBJECT OF HEARING

Arrangements of the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company for purchase of telephone supplies and equipment were discussed before the Public Service Commission in a public hearing today. The hearing was held petition of Charles H. Porter of Newton, who contended that the telephone company could save money and, therefore, could afford to reduce rates for service if it would purchase equipment in the open market with competitive bidding. When called upon to state his case, however, Mr. Porter said that he had no evidence to offer and no personal knowledge of the telephone business.

Vice-President E. K. Hall, for the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company, spoke briefly in defense of the methods of his company.

## PETITIONS HEARD BY BANK INCORPORATORS

Many residents of Walpole appeared before the Board of Bank Incorporators today to argue in favor of a charter for the Walpole Trust Company, a financial organization in which all the leading citizens of the place are interested and for which, it was stated, the stock had been over-subscribed. The board laid the petition on the table for a week.

The board voted not to charter the Norwood Bank & Trust Company, but authorized the establishment of the institution as a trust company. It was announced that the matter would be taken to the Legislature and an effort made to secure the sanction of the body for a special act authorizing the designation "bank and trust" company.

**COUNCIL MEETING CALLED** Mayor Curley has called a meeting of the City Council for Friday to draw jurors and to appropriate for maintenance of the park system the balance of the yearly income the city has from the George Francis Parkman fund. This amount is now about \$35,000 and if not spent by the last of this month will revert to the original sum. As this money was left by Mr. Parkman for the upkeep of the parks existing when the bequest was made, many parks in use, now cannot be helped by it.

**Y. W. C. A. GIFT OF \$500,000** NEW YORK, N. Y.—John D. Rockefeller has given \$500,000 to the National Young Women's Christian Association. It enables the association to complete the memorial fund of \$1,500,000 to Grace Dodge, its founder.

## NEW BILL ON OIL PROPOSED BY SENATORS

Subcommittee Appointed to Confer With Department Representatives on Lease Provision Leases

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Senate Committee of Public Lands today appointed a subcommittee to confer with a similar committee of the House and with representatives of the Navy Department and Interior Department relative to differences that have arisen over a committee amendment to the proposed act to authorize exploration for and disposition of phosphate, oil, gas, potassium, and sodium owned by the Federal Government.

The Senate committee proposes an entirely new bill as a substitute for the House bill passed last January. The difficulty has arisen over section 9 of the substitute. It is understood that the Interior Department is unfavorably disposed to the general trend of this section which authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to lease oil or gas lands through competitive bidding, the leases to be conditional upon the payment by the lessee of a royalty to be not less than one-tenth of the value of the production. Leases are to be for period of 20 years, subject to renewals for 10-year periods.

More than one lease is permitted to be held by a given person, association or corporation, provided that the total held does not exceed 2560 acres. Homesteaders are given preference to leases. It is also provided that upon the surrender by a claimant of his claim to unpatented oil or gas lands included in an order of withdrawal or within a naval petroleum reserve on which oil or gas had been discovered the Secretary of the Interior is empowered to lease to such claimant the lands thus surrendered or for which patent has been denied. Such surrender must be made, however, within six months from the date of the act.

## WARRANTS SENT FOR TAXES

State Treasurer Charles L. Burrill today sent to every sheriff in the 14 counties of the State warrants to be served upon all corporations who are delinquent in the payment of their 1916 taxes. The sum involved in the amounts due totals more than \$1,000,000, and there are above 150 delinquent corporations. The warrants provide for the attachment of the properties subject to the tax.

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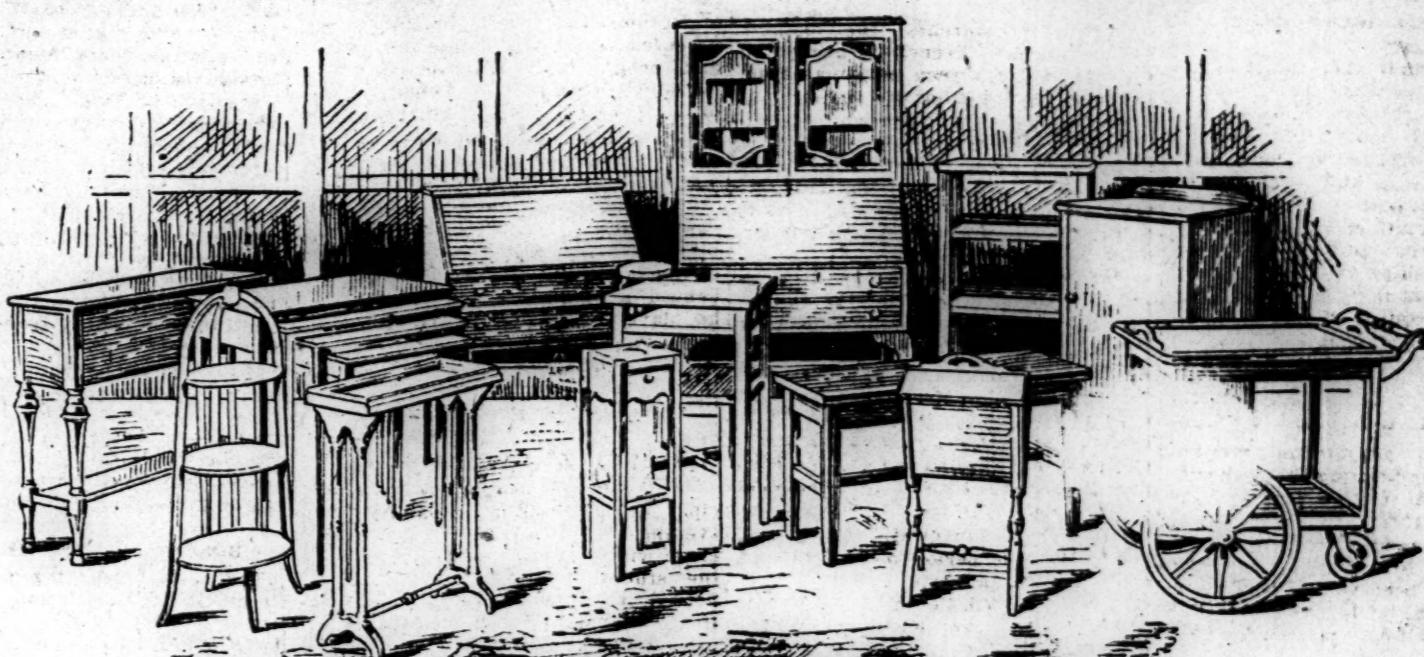
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## ILLEGAL LIQUOR TRAFFIC GROWS UNDER LICENSE

Antisaloon League Leader Says Statistics Show That Unlawful Selling Is the Greatest in Cities Having the Saloon

"Facts are stubborn things" and only takes a few of them to overthrow any argument the liquor traffic presents for a continuance of the saloon policy," replied Superintendent Arthur J. Davis of the Massachusetts Antisaloon League when asked what he had to say regarding the claim of the liquor dealers that, no-license in Boston would result in extensive selling in kitchen barrooms, which could not or would not be driven out of business under a "dry" policy.

"This is by no means the first time the brewers and liquor dealers have tried to fool the public by that argument," continued Mr. Davis. "Several years ago the league went to the pains of gathering facts from undoubtful sources, and we brought to light the interesting discovery that there are about 2 1/2 times as many kitchen barrooms in license places as there are in no-license communities. Liquor selling breeds liquor selling and licensed liquor selling breeds more illegal liquor selling than is found in no-license places. Conversely, do away with the saloon and with it the opportunity to get liquor next door, and you do away with much illegal selling, because the illegal seller takes a greater chance of detection when he has to transport his wares a long distance and when intoxicated persons are more likely to be identified with his establishment."

"The way we got our facts is this: The Government requires payment of an internal revenue liquor dealer's tax of every person or firm selling intoxicating liquors of any kind. The Government accepts this tax from all who offer to pay it, regardless of local laws. Many persons who are not authorized to sell liquor pay a revenue tax on the liquor they secure and sell 'on the quiet.' Now, the liquor dealers used to claim that the revenue collector's books showed that an excessive number of persons not authorized to sell in no-license cities and towns had paid an internal revenue tax. They pointed to this alleged condition and claimed that it revealed much illegal selling in no-license places. Then they made the sweeping statement: 'Abolish the saloon and you get the kitchen barroom.'

"Our league decided to take up the challenge of the liquor advocates on this point, and made a thorough investigation in 1910. What was revealed then will apply now, with the probable exception that there is less illegal selling in no-license communities now because of a more vigorous law enforcement. We examined the books of the United States internal revenue collector for the Massachusetts district for the number of revenue liquor taxes paid and we ascertained from the records of the State Board of Pharmacy, and from the clerks or other officials of every city and town in Massachusetts the number of local parties that held either liquor licenses or certificates of fitness, both of which call for the payment of an internal revenue liquor dealer's tax. With this data in hand, we divided the cities and towns of this State into two classes—license and no-license—and charged to each municipality the number of internal revenue liquor dealers' taxes that were paid and deducted the number of local licenses or certificates of fitness, thus securing the net extent to which, in each class of municipalities, excess or unwarranted internal revenue liquor dealers' taxes were paid.

"What did we find? Let me show you this summary, which answers the question:

"All License Cities and Towns—Total population, 1,883,924; total number internal revenue liquor dealers' taxes paid, 4245; total number local licenses granted, 2972; total number excess or unwarranted internal revenue liquor dealers' taxes paid, 1273; one for each 1479 population.

"All No-License Cities and Towns—Total population, 1,497,722; total number internal revenue liquor dealers' taxes paid, 1108; total number druggists' licenses and certificates of fitness granted, 682; total number excess or unwarranted internal revenue liquor dealers' taxes paid, 421; one for each 3557 population.

"We found, in other words, that for each 3557 population, we have under no-license one unwarranted internal liquor dealers' tax; for the same population under license two and one-third taxes.

"While the number of those who, although they have no local liquor license, pay the internal revenue liquor tax, does not show the full number who violate the liquor law, it has always been considered the most reliable evidence as to the extent to which illegal liquor selling was going on.

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Drawn for The Christian Science Monitor  
Arthur J. Davis, superintendent of the Massachusetts Antisaloon League

## CHURCHES AID IN THE CANVAS FOR "NO" VOTE

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who have become aroused as never before.

The vote and no-license gains of the several districts of the city last year may be seen from the following table:

	Majority for no-license	Gain
Jan. 1, 1914.	Dec. 1, 1915.	Jan. 1, 1916.
East Boston	2,078	1,256
Charlestown	1,982	685
Boston proper	396	230
North End	734	695
West End	1,334	940
South End	1,919	912
Back Bay	2,360	1,626
South Boston	2,000	1,630
Roxbury	5,210	3,390
Dorchester	1,837	2,070
Jamaica Plain	1,625	1,207
West Roxbury	664	61
Brighton-Allston	76	237
Hyde Park	872	361
Totals	21,505	14,238
	7,287	

\*No-license majority. †Loss for no-license.

The Rev. Wallace C. Sampson of the First Baptist Church of Dorchester, which is to send out its 30 volunteers Friday evening with a view of bringing out the capacity "No" vote in Dorchester, meets the argument of the "open selling" advocate with the succinct answer: "Voting for the saloon is attempting to put the stamp of respectability on it, and inviting our children to go in and make use of it."

Mr. Sampson says that the liquor interests are canvassing the business district and telling the men that the stopping of the liquor traffic will injure their business. "It stands to reason," said Mr. Sampson, "that if a man is going to have money that he would otherwise spend in saloons he will buy clothes and food, or save and invest it."

"The old question, the losses to the city by taxation, has been answered many times. Figures show that it costs from two to three times the amount realized by liquor taxation to maintain the institutions whose inmates are there as a result of drink." Before Long went dry the Christian Endeavor Society used to hold prayer meetings every Sunday morning in one of the institutions, and when they went to the institution after the saloons were abolished there were no inmates to preach to."

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## WORKERS WHOM DRINK THROWS OUT OF PLACES

They Far Outnumber, Says Mr. Bryan, the Brewery Employees That Prohibition Would Deprive of Their Present Positions

Special to The Christian Science Monitor from its Western Bureau

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—William Jennings Bryan, in a special interview here with a representative of The Christian Science Monitor, outlined his plans for making the entire nation dry. Mr. Bryan had come here to speak before the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, in session here. He said his first work would consist in lining up the Democratic organizations in the pivotal states and then in putting the question before the National Democratic Party.

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## "DRY" FORCES ATTACK CLAIMS OF LIQUOR MEN

Abstainers Are the Purchasing Power, Say Leaders in Answer to Assertions That Licenses Make for Increased Business

"Who represents the purchasing power at the Boston stores, the users of intoxicating liquors or the abstainers?" is a question which will be asked tonight by the 25 no-license speakers at the street rallies to be held in all districts of the city as a part of the "Boston dry" campaign. This question is to be asked in connection with the effort of the Antisaloon League to checkmate the liquor dealers who are trying to "sign up" the business men of the city in favor of a license policy on the ground that a "wet" city results in better business.

The Antisaloon League has repeatedly made public data to show that the only increased business under a "wet" system accrues to the liquor dealers. Statements of business men in nearby communities, notably Lynn and Brockton, who have operated under "wet" and "dry" regimes have been published to substantiate the league's data. The reports from communities in western United States bear out the desirability of prohibition from a business standpoint.

Information has come to the Antisaloon League headquarters that liquor dealers of Boston have circulated a statement favoring license among the proprietors of department stores and certain large retail tradesmen. It is understood to be the intention to publish this statement later in the week or next Monday in the form of newspaper advertisements or otherwise.

To offset this phase of the "wet" propaganda, the Antisaloon League has sent to the ministers of Boston a letter telling of the liquor dealers' scheme and asking that all parishioners take immediate steps to learn directly from the stores with which they deal whether they propose to enter into an alliance with the licensed saloon. A boycott of those dealers who aid the liquor traffic is proposed.

This communication reads in part as follows:

"The liquor interests have announced their intention of asking for votes on the ground that license means better business in Boston, although we know that this is a false argument, and that the more money there is spent for liquor the less there is spent in legitimate business."

"We understand on good authority that an attempt is being made, and perhaps is already successful, to line up Boston business for "boozey"; that the business concerns of Boston, the department stores, the grocery stores, the markets, the furnishing houses, retail business through downtown Boston in particular, have been asked to lend their names to the plea of the liquor interests for a "yes" vote in Boston on Dec. 19. The liquor men are in such desperate straits they feel they must mobilize for their support every other business in Boston to save their own infamous business."

"Every member of your congregation should at once ask the proprietors of the department store, the grocery, the market, the fruit store, and of every other store in which they trade, if they propose openly to advocate license at the behest of the liquor forces."

"Urge them not to hesitate to make their views clear on this matter, so vital to the welfare of Boston and of the whole metropolitan district. Urge them to refuse definitely to deal with any business firm, no matter how influential it may be in the community, if it makes itself an annex to the brewery, the distillery and the saloon. Urge them to act at once, for the time in which to act is brief."

"The liquor interests are using every means to carry Boston for license. They know they are facing defeat. Every member of your congregation can help. There never was such an opportunity as there is this year to drive the liquor business out of Boston, and victory is already in sight."

A leading worker among the "wets," the secretary of one of their organizations, has been quoted as stating that "the liquor business is stronger than the churches" when dealing with business men is concerned. Taking up this challenge, the speakers tonight will ask the business men themselves to consider where the purchasing power is derived, from those who spend their wages over the bar and the bottle goods counter or total abstainers, whose income goes largely to the storekeeper.

The city proper, the South End, Charlestown, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Roxbury, Roslindale, and Hyde Park will be invaded tonight by the forces which are striving to clear Boston of the liquor business, and the two Morgan Memorial campaign trucks will concentrate in the South End for the night.

The Antisaloon League speakers will include W. C. McNamara, who organized the no-license forces in Lowell and led the fight in that city since last April; Walter J. Hoshal, the man who headed the campaign that made Detroit "dry"; Capt. Jack Crawford, the former Indian scout; Devereux King, Leonard Martin, Paul M. Hillman, William M. McNair, C. E. Moody, Donald Roby, Daniel A. MacKay, John Vaughan, Henry Clay Peters, Jeremiah Desmond, Leon E. Baldwin, Walter B. Manning, M. F. Albright, Chester R. Lawrence, who was candidate for Governor on the Prohibition ticket the past fall; Norman MacQueen, Thomas S. Roy and others.

The Antisaloon League rallie

## RESULTS IN CITY ELECTIONS

	License		1916		1915	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
City, Mayor, politics and City Government	632	1,561	601	1,276		
Attleboro, "Harold E. Sweet, N. P., N. P."	1,176	2,557	884	1,865		
Beverly, James McPherson, N. P., N. P.	2,818	2,435	3,025	2,094		
Chelsea, Edward E. Willard, N. P., N. P.	1,667	1,434	1,730	1,279		
Chicopee, "Daniel J. Coakley, J. D., I. D."	1,110	3,493	1,154	3,246		
Everett, John J. Mullin, N. P.	6,617	4,527	6,089	4,844		
Lawrence, no Mayor elected, N. P.	7,185	6,383	7,503	6,021		
Lynn, "Charles H. Newhall, N. P."	6,998	8,401	7,231	8,277		
Malden, "Charles M. Blodgett, N. P., N. P."	1,066	2,959	1,813	2,820		
Medford, "Benjamin F. Haines, N. P., N. P."	1,237	3,944	696	2,679		
Melrose, "Charles H. Adams, N. P., N. P."	350	1,916	369	1,638		
Newburyport, Walter P. Hopkins, N. P., N. P.	1,281	1,584	1,336	1,503		
Newton, Alfred S. Hall, R. R.	8,06	2,401	8,399	3,760		
Revere, Alfred S. Hall, R. R.	1,503	2,321	1,503	2,446		
Somerville, "Zebulon E. Cliff, R. R."	1,109	4,158	1,703	5,262		
Woburn, Willard D. Gray, R. R.	1,601	1,936	1,246	1,760		
Worcester, Pehr G. Holmes, R. R.	12,771	9,653	12,143	9,404		

\*Reelected. N. P.—Nonpartisan.

I. D.—Independent-Democrat.

be held at the following places, all out of doors:

Boston proper—Bowdoin Square, Pemberton Square, Paris Street, opposite the church, corner Prince and Hanover Streets, corner Spring and Hanover Streets.

South End—Corner East Brookline and Washington Streets, Columbus Square, Columbus Avenue.

Charlestown—City Square, Hayes Square.

Hyde Park—Cleary Square.

East Boston—Central Square, Day Square, Orient Heights, Maverick Square.

Dorchester—Codman Square, Pierce Square, Mattapan Square, Hamilton and Bowdoin streets, Fields Corner, Neponset, Uphams Corner.

Roxbury—Roxbury Crossing-Gurney Street, Washington and Roxbury Streets.

Roslindale Square.

South Boston—Ccorner D Street and Broadway, Dorchester Street and Broadway, Flood Square, Andrews Square, corner Eighth and Dorchester Streets.

The Morgan Memorial campaigners will hold rallies at: Junction Tremont Street and Shawmut Avenue, Castle Square, corner Tremont Street, Tremont and Pleasant Streets, Dover Street and Shawmut Avenue, corner Hollis and Washington Streets, Broadway Extension and Washington Street, Dover Street and Harrison Avenue, Harrison Avenue and Broadway Extension.

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## PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

As G. Candler, newly elected Mayor of Atlanta, Ga., is one of the wealthiest citizens of the city. He is a prominent Methodist layman, and as such has been generous in his aid of Emory College, Emory University, and the Wesley Memorial Fund. He is a native of Georgia, with a common school education. His business ability has carried him to his present position.

James Empingham, who has been metropolitan district superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of New York, has been invited by the temperance society of the Protestant Episcopal Church to become its secretary, and he has accepted on the express condition that he is to execute a policy of hearty cooperation with the league in its effort to rid the State and the Nation of saloons. This pledge the church has given by its action at the recent general convention, the same marking an epoch in the history of the temperance movement in a church hitherto conservative and inclined to take radical positions with respect to temperance policies. Mr. Empingham has been a successful rector in Syracuse, N. Y., and is a man of marked executive ability.

Charles C. Healey, general superintendent of police in Chicago since May, 1915, having resigned his position, the Mayor has an opportunity to show by his choice what he plans to do henceforth as a custodian of law and order. Mr. Healey came out of New York City, went through the public schools of Chicago, and in 1890 first joined a police force, that of the old town of Lake, since incorporated in the city of Chicago. During the big strike of 1903 he was in command of the police and of the military which had been summoned to protect persons and property. The city's mounted police force came into being in 1906 on his initiative. Later, when traffic conditions compelled special handling by the police, he first visited Europe to study methods of meeting the new urban street problem, and, returning home, he set about giving the city a specially trained traffic squad, able to deal with the problem of congestion. Chief Healey has served on commissions created to deal with social and industrial conditions in Chicago.

Sir William Hesketh Lever, Bart., who recently advocated the adoption of the system of copartnership in business as a solution of industrial disputes, is the head of the firm of Lever Brothers of Port Sunlight, Cheshire, England. The growth of this firm and the entry of its owners into the ranks of the great employers of industry comprise one of the romances of the business world, and the social experiments that have been associated with the growth of Port Sunlight, the town where the employees live, have attracted the attention of all students of the welfare of workers. Sir William Lever has interested himself in housing, town planning, social institutes, and other forms of recreation, apart from the working conditions in the factories under his control, believing that the efficiency and welfare of the workers is a matter not confined to the hours which they spend in their daily work. Copartnership, the system of business which Sir William advocates, has been tried with great success at Port Sunlight, and it is claimed for it that, by giving the workmen, or, at any rate, those who qualify for the privilege, a share in the business, which will make them in name and reality partners with their employers, the restriction of output through strikes will be prevented, unemployment will be lessened, and relations between employers and employed will be improved.

Thomas D. Patullo, who is to be Minister of Lands in the new Liberal Ministry of the Province of British Columbia, is a native of Woodstock, Ontario, where the family of Patullo has long been prominent in journalism. Like others of his kin, Mr. Patullo has edited and published newspapers, and when, in 1897, he was selected to become secretary of a national commission being sent to the Yukon region, he was busy editing the *Sentinel* of Galt. The Yukon region made its appeal to him, and he settled at Dawson City and entered on his business career. When the town of Prince Rupert was founded he became a pioneer settler, and there he has remained and prospered. As Alderman and Mayor of the city he has had training for such administrative duties as now await him.

Bunji Suzuki, president of the Laborers' Friendly Society of Japan, and secretary of the Japan Unitarian Association, is now in the United States consorting with persons interested in these widely differing types of organization. He recently attended the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, and there spoke to an audience which he found much more sympathetic with Japan's workmen than he had expected would be the case. It is this mediating task, as a labor leader that he is endeavoring to carry out during his present tour. He hopes that when he has finished, the stress and strain of diplomatic relations between Japan and the United States will be eased, owing to joint action of wage earners, Asiatic and American. Mr. Suzuki is a graduate of the Imperial University, Tokio. He is highly respected by his countrymen for his devotion to the interests of the people and for his sense shown in gaining the ends for which he labors.

## SALE OF PEARSON LIBRARY IN BRITAIN

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offered at the third portion of the sale held on Nov. 7 and 8 were many first editions, some of which are exceedingly rare. Of Richard Braithwaite's "The Psalms of David" only a few copies are known to exist. The copy of the first edition of this book, which was printed in 1638 and sold at the shop of Francis Constable under St. Martin's church, near Ludgate, contains an engraved frontispiece, in compartments, of a portrait of Braithwaite by W. Marshall. A still rarer volume of Braithwaite is his "A Spiritual Spicery," a copy of which, known as the "Corser" copy, is in the British Museum. Of this not more than two or three perfect copies exist. Among the more unique volumes were Bunyan's "Christian Behaviour," including "Prison Meditations," and the first Kilmarnock edition of Burns poems. First editions of "Christian Behaviour" are of great rarity, and no other copy of this first edition of "Prison Meditations" is known to exist. In the preface to the rare first Kilmarnock edition of Burns it is stated that none of the poems was written "with a view to the press." Burns' motive was to find a counterpoise to the troubles of the world, and like many other poets since his time, he found "poetry to be its own reward"; although, as a matter of fact, there has not been such a good market for poetry for many a year as today.

Lord Byron said of Burton's "Anatomy of Melancholy," of which a first edition was sold, that "it contains more information than any 20 other books in the English language," and Dr. Johnson confessed that it was "the only book that ever took him out of bed two hours sooner than he wished to rise." The most active bidding was reached when a copy of the rare first edition of Gray's "Elegy" came under the hammer and was finally disposed of for the sum of £480. The bidding for a copy of the Kilmarnock edition of Burns' poems, which realized £450, was little less keen, while a first edition of Sir Philip Sidney's "Arcadia" went for £390. The first of these was purchased by G. D. Smith of New York, the last two by F. Sabin.

Other works for which there was considerable competition were a fine copy of the second edition of Bacon's Essays, which realized £50 more than the copy sold in the Huth sale; first editions of Shelley's "Adonais" and "Queen Mab"; a first edition of Goldsmith's "Traveller," of which only one other copy, formerly in the Rowfant Library and which Locker-Lampson, the owner, considered unique, is known to exist; and a fine copy of Blake's "Songs of Innocence." In this last volume some of his "Songs of Experience" are incorporated. It is an early copy which Mr. Pearson bought at Flaxman's sale at Christie's and it has on the fly-leaf the autograph, "A. Flaxman" (Mrs. Anna Flaxman), to whom Blake addressed a poem, beginning:

"This song to the Flower of Flaxman's joy."

High though many of the prices were which were given at this sale, they pale before that given just over a hundred years ago at the famous Roxburgh sale of Valdastor's edition of "Boccaccio," which was sold for £2260. As a result of the success of this sale the Roxburgh Club was started, which is still in existence and each member of which is expected to produce a reprint of some rare volume.

A noticeable feature of Mr. Pearson's collection was the number of first editions of which no copy existed in the Huth Library, such as Cowley's "The Mistresses," the first octavo edition of Donne's poems, Drayton's "The Owle," Dryden's "Britannia Rediviva," Mary Fane's "Fames Roule," Fleckno's "A Relation of Ten Years Travel in Europe," James I's "The King Majesties Declaration to His Subjects, Concerning Lawful Sports To Be Used," the first issue of the first edition of Marston's "Tragedies and Comedies" and Milton's "A Treatise of Civil Power."

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## Dallas Turning to City Manager

KANSAS CITY STAR—Dallas, having worked under the commission plan of government for the last six years, is contemplating another step forward by adopting the city manager system. It is easy to see why. The commission plan was a big step forward from the old system. But it had certain deficiencies. It failed to get the unity of action that is so necessary in managing big enterprises. It depended on electing men to manage departments where training and technical skill were needed. It meant in most cases government by amateurs. So a movement has arisen, supported by the Mayor himself, to develop the commission plan into the most effective form of city government known—the city manager plan, with the whole country to pick the manager from. That is the way city government is developing. The city that adopts any other plan now is going to find its government out of date before the ink is dry on the new charter.

## Niagara's Recession

NEW YORK SUN—The Secretary of War, Newton Diehl Baker, has told the House Foreign Affairs Committee that the American side of Niagara Falls is likely to disappear if the present volume of water is allowed to continue over the Canadian or Horseshoe Falls. The American Falls carry less than five per cent of the entire flow. The Horseshoe Falls, measured along the curving edge, are nearly three times as wide. The likeness to a horseshoe has been spoiled by erosion, which seems, for the last 200 years, to have been proceeding at about the rate of five feet a year and has taken place most noticeably in the center of the arc. The edge of the American Falls is receding at a much slower pace, from two and a half to seven and a half inches a year, it is estimated. As the Canadian Falls drop more rapidly back toward Lake Erie they tend to receive a larger and larger share of the river's volume. It is a perplexing problem to know what to do. Nature is playing into Canada's hands. That country already controls most of the show. We can hardly expect her materially to impair the beauty of her Falls merely to prevent our own from dwindling to insignificance.

## Potatoes and Canada

OMAHA WORLD-HERALD—No man has ever been able to furnish a sound reason why there should be any more restriction on trade between Canada and the United States than between the States of the Union. Some special interest on one side or the other may at different times gain an advantage, but on the whole a tariff between the two countries is detrimental. The shortage of potatoes in the States this year makes a tariff greatly to the disadvantage of Canada. It is announced in some of the Eastern papers that the "ban" on potatoes has been lifted and they are coming in free from Prince Edward Island. A little while ago the "ban" on wheat was a disadvantage to Canada, but no one could find out how it was of any advantage to the United States. No one on this side was sorry for Canada on account of the wheat situation, for they refused reciprocity, put a liberal Government in, and a standpat Government out and a standpat Government in, so that restriction of trade should remain. It might be, though it is hardly credible, that a high-tariff man would concede that when potatoes are \$2 a bushel in the United States, that it would be for the common welfare to let them in free from Canada, and if the United States had a big crop that it would be of equal advantage to admit them free into Canada.

COURT-MARTIAL FOR GUARD  
NEW YORK, N. Y.—Capt. Augustus U. Dunning of the Fifth New Jersey Infantry will be tried before a United States Military Court at Ft. Hancock Saturday on charge of having disobeyed an order of Captain Reed, assistant mustering officer.

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## DRAMATIC CLUB AT HARVARD GIVES PLAY

Harvard Dramatic Club's seventeenth production, "The Mission of the Damned," drama in four acts, by Miss Margaret Wright, Harvard special, for the first time, evening of Dec. 12, 1916, in the Hasty Pudding Theater, Cambridge. The performance will be repeated in the same place this evening and in Copley Hall, Boston, tomorrow evening. The cast: Arthur Crimmins..... E. H. Morse '20 Wallace Miller..... P. M. Hamilton '20 Edna Holmes..... E. P. Goodnow '17

Miss Mary Elizabeth Marsh Nelson Marns..... J. W. D. Seymour '17 Faith Stuart..... Miss M. Louise Perry Rev. Mr. Holmes..... E. P. Goodnow '17

Miss Wright's theme is the virtue of unselfish work as a means of character building. Specifically she is concerned with work of community value as a channel permitting the useful release of the energies of persons disappointed in life, energies that vain rebellion would otherwise waste. The protagonist of this theme is Nelson Marns, who loved Faith Stuart's mother, but never told his love. He finds useful work to do in promoting a bee-line canal project that will save the people of Milton the heavy freight charges extorted by a circuitous railroad that now serves the town of Milton, N. Y. Other characters concerned are Crimmins, who controls the railroad; Mrs. Holmes, an unhappy wife who allowed her husband, the Rev. Frederick Holmes, to think she had passed away; Faith Stuart and Wallace Miller.

When the play opens Holmes is about to marry Faith. Mrs. Holmes turns up. Marns comforts Faith and asks her to help him put through the census. Mrs. Holmes, given a wholesome new outlook by the spectacle of Marns' courage, labors at Albany for the passage of the canal's charter bill, with the somewhat reluctant aid of her husband. In the end the charter is signed, and Marns justifies the confidence he has built up in his idea among the townspeople. The exact final assortment of couples is none too clearly shown or motivated, but the presumption is that Mr. and Mrs. Holmes have become adjusted at last, and that Marns will marry Faith.

During the course of the play, also, Crimmins' weakling spy, Miller, acquires self-respect as a worker under Marns and as a friend of Faith. Crimmins is wholly downed in the end when Mrs. Holmes "bluffs" him on a wager, and gains time with talk while her husband sells her pearl necklace to make good the funds Marns has taken from the company bank to buy coal for the needy villagers.

Here is a strong, significant theme. The merit of its working out lies in the sincerity of handling, a sincerity which often triumphs over formlessness and lack of clearness. The play could be tightened and cleared up tastily if recast in the form of half as many incidents, using all the present material but halving the number of exits and entries in the second, third and fourth acts. The form of the first act is creditable novice work. The characterization is clear cut and the dialogue, apart from too frequent lapses into sententiousness, serves. The local color is well taken care of, and the episodes are interesting.

The situations alter almost as fast as in motion picture plays. Now the "movies" can't hold a scene, while the stage of the spoken word can. That is why the material should be rearranged and more made of the character clash possibilities in scenes having each their own beginning, growth, climax and denouement. The production is creditable, the stage management generally is good, and Miss Marsh and Mr. Seymour do distinguished work for nonprofessionals. Miss Perry was good in her later scenes as Faith.

## CITY CANDIDATES PRESS CAMPAIGN BEFORE VOTERS

Candidates for the City Council and the School Committee are pressing their interests today upon the voters with increasing vigor, for the issues are being drawn more closely between the forces of good government and the reactionary influences in the city administration.

Francis J. W. Ford, David T. Montague, Patrick F. O'Keefe, candidates for the City Council, and Henry Abrahams, Michael H. Sullivan and Michael H. Corcoran, candidates for the School Committee, addressed the Mt. Hope Citizens' Association, Charlestown Improvement Association, People of Zion M. E. Church in Roxbury, and the Roxbury Board of Trade last night. The candidates for the council addressed several other meetings.

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from which they come, and who will oppose the attempt by any one to use any part of the city machinery for any purposes but for the good of the people."

Judge Sullivan urged the necessity of the continued education of children. "I believe that education should not end with graduation," he said. "The number of children who leave school upon receiving a diploma from the grammar school makes me wish sometimes that diplomas were never invented. We should make the child believe that he never graduates. New York is devoting its attention to that work, and the attendance at the high schools has increased over 100 per cent."

## SHIPPING NEWS

Men from the Atlantic Works, East Boston, are aboard the Leyland liner Cambrian, anchored in the stream today, repairing the low pressure cylinder bushing, which was found to be broken when the liner was half a mile past Boston Light on the way to London Tuesday evening. The vessel returned for repairs and will sail again tonight, according to officials of the company. Cargo includes 82,925 bushels of wheat, 9156 boxes and 1075 barrels of apples, and quantities of provisions, flour and empty shells.

Wholesale dealers' prices of fresh groundfish at the fish pier today come high, and receipts of fish are light. One vessel arrived in time to sell its catch at the early auction, the steam trawler Ripple with 56,300 pounds. Quotations per hundred-weight: Haddock \$7.50 per hundred-weight, steak cod \$13.75, market cod \$7, pollack \$4.75, large hake \$8.50, and medium hake \$6.50.

Receipts of fish at Gloucester today include the schooner Lillian, from Maine ports with cured fish, and gill netters with 30,000 pounds fresh fish, mostly pollack. A few of the larger netters put out this morning.

Tilefish sold in New York today for 4½@5 cents per pound, three trips being in, the Stranger having 8000 pounds, F. E. Prescott 18,000, and Elk 30,000. The William Morse with 22,000 arrived late Tuesday.

## PORT OF BOSTON

Arrivals  
Steamers Arlington, Michelson, Newport News; Everett, Giles, Newport News; Calvin Austin, Stout, Portland; City of Gloucester, Linnekin, Gloucester; Kershaw, Johnson, Baltimore, via Newport News and Norfolk. Tugs Kate Jones, Simmons, New York; Portland, Portland.

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## FIREMEN TO PRESS TWO-PLATOON PLAN

Bills giving the firemen of Massachusetts the two-platoon system and placing a tax of 2 per cent on the receipts of insurance companies of the Commonwealth, the proceeds to be devoted to pension funds for firemen, were discussed yesterday at the meeting of the legislative and executive committees of the Massachusetts state branch, A. F. of L., at the Old South Building. The Russell Fire Club of Boston and the Massachusetts Permanent Firemen's Association were represented. It was voted to present these two measures to the next Legislature and insist upon their enactment.

Lewis P. Stickel, retiring president of the Russell club, and Fred Gould, director of the Massachusetts Permanent Firemen's Association, represented these organizations at the meeting and explained in detail the bills, which will be placed on the calendar of the Massachusetts state branch.

## MOORFIELD STOREY TALKS

In an address on "Lawlessness" before members of the Boston City Club and Bar Association last night, Moorfield Storey declared that more laws are made and broken in the United States than in any other country in the world. He stated that respect for the law, by both officials and citizens of the United States, was declining. Mr. Storey compared the acquisition of the Panama Canal Zone by the United States with the occupation of Belgium by Germany. He also declared that the action of the President of the United States in Guatemala, Haiti and Santo Domingo was both unconstitutional and lawless, as troops were landed on foreign soil without permission of Congress.

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## AT THE THEATERS

Boston Opera House—Spectacle, 8. Colonial—"The Admirable Crichton," 4:10. Keith's—"The Adelphi," 7:45. Majestic—"Bunker Bean," 8:15. Park Square—"The Great Lover," 8:15. Plymouth—"Somebody's Luggage," 8:15. Shubert—"You're in Love," 8:20. Tremont—"Betty," musical comedy, 8:15. Williams—"The Girl in the Moon," 8:15. Matinee—Daily at Keith's, 1:45. Boston Opera House, 2; Wednesday and Saturday at Wilbur, Colonial, Majestic, Shubert, Park Square, Tremont, 2:15; Thursday and Saturday at the Plymouth, 2:15; Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at the Copley, 2:15.

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## CHINESE ECONOMY IS DESCRIBED BY PEKIN ATTACHE

In answer to the question whether the people of the United States in their effort to solve the so-called high cost of living, might not learn something from the economies practised by the Chinese, Julian Arnold, the American commercial attaché at Pekin, who is now on a business trip through America, says that there is scarcely anything that can contribute to food, clothing and shelter in China which is not utilized in some way, and that the only thing of which the Chinese are prodigal is

Brook, Hyde Park. Total taxed value is \$2300. Deed came from Marion F. George, through Frank L. George.

PURCHASED ON BOYLSTON ST.

John W. Flavin has taken title to an improved property at 651 Boylston Street opposite the Public Library, with the intention of remodeling the four-story brick building for business purposes. There is a land area of 2688 square feet carrying a tax value of \$44,400, the total assessment being \$5600. Josephine M. Bush conveyed the title.

## BUILDING NOTICES

Among the most important permits issued today and posted in the office of Commissioner O'Hearn were the following to construct, alter or repair buildings. The location, owner, architect and nature of the work are given in the order published:

Commonwealth Ave., 799 rear, Ward 25: J. E. Cousens Co., Harold Brooks; brick machine shop.

Winchester Rd., 13, Ward 17: Arthur H. Winslow, F. A. Norcross; brick garage.

Riverway, 374, Ward 14: A. C. Caplan, Silverman Eng. Co.; brick tenements.

Commonwealth Ave., 805, Ward 25: J. E. Cousens Coal Co., Brooks, Skinner Co.; brick waiting rooms.

Gardner St., 262, Ward 25: W. L. Land Co-operative, C. L. Moore; ice house.

Courtland Rd., 7, Ward 21: Chas. L. Kline, S. Levy; frame dwelling.

Robin St., 67 rear, Ward 23: H. E. Holbrook, W. H. Cox; frame garage.

Annable St., 21, Ward 11: A. N. Douse, A. C. Wood; frame dwelling.

South St., 19-21, Ward 5: Grant Walker; alter mercantile.

Dartmouth St., 184, Ward 7: Walter Channing; alter store and dwelling.

Broad St., 104, Ward 5: H. Nash et al., trs.; alter mercantile.

## TYPE DESIGNING TOPIC OF LECTURE BEFORE PRINTERS

Type designing was explained by Frederic W. Goudy of New York at a meeting of the Society of Printers at the City Club, Boston, last night. Mr. Goudy made particular reference to modern private types. A brief general statement of the Roman forms was given in which the speaker traced the development of modern type from the old Roman capitals and cursives. At first, he said, the square capital was used, inspired by the demands of the cutting tool, and then manuscript writers adapted the square capital to more easy execution and evolved a rounder form which is intermediate between the capital and cursive. With the decline of the Roman empire other nations developed their own styles, until, by the Thirteenth Century, Gothic formed on the old Roman types was dominant.

"At the invention of printing," he said, "two styles of writing were in use, so there came two styles of type, Roman and 'black letter.' Gradually the Roman succeeded in doing away with the 'black letter.' Early types were more legible than now, as what was difficult for the pen to shape was dropped and the form simplified. Nicolas Jensen, a Frenchman living in Venice in 1470, began cutting the fine font of Roman type which has been the inspiration for all good types since. The letters are bold and in perfect symmetry and accord in combination."

After classing types into Italian (Roman) and Gothic the speaker proceeded to discuss art in letters, saying: "Art in letters does not so much consist in beauty of individual characters, but rather the art to arrange and compose letters in a beautiful way." Essentials of letters, he said, are legibility, beauty and character. Mr. Goudy closed by giving examples of his particular method of design.

## REAL ESTATE

John H. Lyons has purchased from Francis C. Welch et al., deed coming through W. Parker Morse, the mercantile property located at 216 and 218 Milk Street on 1219 square feet of land, extending through to 109 Central Street, in the wholesale district. The property carries a total assessment of \$26,200, of which \$23,200 applies on the land, and balance on a 4½-story brick building.

Title also has been passed from Randal G. Rogers to George E. Sturtevant, conveying a block of five three-story brick houses situated 4 to 12 Fairweather Street between Harrison Avenue and Reed Street, South End. The total assessment is \$15,000 including \$3000 on 3935 square feet of land.

DORCHESTER AND HYDE PARK  
Papers have been placed on record in the purchase of a frame residence property at 347 Columbia Road, corner of 4 Hamilton Street, Dorchester. Mary G. Dooley purchased from the Hub Real Estate Corporation, deed coming through George H. Holden. Total assessed valuation is \$10,500 of which \$7200 applies or 14,138 square feet of land.

Samuel Caruso and wife are the new owners of a frame dwelling and lot of land containing 10,000 square feet, located at 55 Sunnyside Avenue, and extending through to Mother

## ROYAL ARCH MASONS IN BUSINESS MEETING

Many members and visitors were in attendance upon the meeting in Masonic Temple yesterday of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Massachusetts. Arthur D. Prince, grand high priest, presided. In the morning the first three chapter degrees were exemplified and in the afternoon the Royal Arch degree was worked. Lorenzo L. Green and Raymond T. Sewall, grand lecturers, had charge of these exemplifications. The night session was the business meeting of the Grand Chapter.

According to the report of the grand secretary there are 83 chapters with membership of 25,599 in the State, a gain of 1313.

The election at night resulted in the reelection of Mr. Prince as the occupant of the Grand East for another year. His installation was conducted by Past Grand High Priest Blake, who is an officer of the General Grand Royal Arch chapter of the United States.

MASONIC TEMPLE PLANNED  
LEXINGTON, Mass.—Simon W. Robinson Lodge, A. F. and A. M., is planning for a new temple. Historic Hall, facing Lexington Green, has been purchased and plans made for remodelling the hall by the addition of wings, making a large chamber with

Commonwealth Ave., 799 rear, Ward 25: J. E. Cousens Co., Harold Brooks; brick machine shop.

Winchester Rd., 13, Ward 17: Arthur H. Winslow, F. A. Norcross; brick garage.

Riverway, 374, Ward 14: A. C. Caplan, Silverman Eng. Co.; brick tenements.

Commonwealth Ave., 805, Ward 25: J. E. Cousens Coal Co., Brooks, Skinner Co.; brick waiting rooms.

Gardner St., 262, Ward 25: W. L. Land Co-operative, C. L. Moore; ice house.

Courtland Rd., 7, Ward 21: Chas. L. Kline, S. Levy; frame dwelling.

Robin St., 67 rear, Ward 23: H. E. Holbrook, W. H. Cox; frame garage.

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GERMAN REVIEW  
OF RECENT FIGHTING

Special to The Christian Science Monitor  
BERLIN, Germany—A review of the recent fighting, entitled "The Somme and Transylvania," has been issued from the German main headquarters and placed at the disposal of the German press.

The Battle on the Somme, it declares, was meant to decide the war, and was planned by the Entente on the greatest possible scale. It aimed at effecting the complete breakdown of the German western front, and the consequent relinquishment of the pledges held by Germany in the west, the general situation having compelled the enemy to strike with every means at his disposal for such a victory. The battle, the review continues, has now lasted four months, and is still dragging on, but there can no longer be a question of a decisive battle in the classic sense. "The battle is devoid of any decisive importance beyond the radius of the individual engagements on the Somme"; despite violent attacks the enemy achieved only partial successes during October, and since the great battle that raged between Sept. 25 and 27 the offensive has been held up for the second time.

What asks the review, has the enemy attained, and what has he paid for it? The French and English together have won back some 300 square kilometers of French soil, a district comprising no place of importance and no strategic point d'appui. They have not even obtained possession of the two small towns whose names owe a certain fame to former German victories, Peronne and Bapaume; nor to mention the more distant objectives of St. Quentin and Cambrai. Their capture, it is true, would by no means have signified a decision, but it would have brought within range of attainment the immediate object of the enemy, the pressing back of our front over a really important stretch of hostile territory. As for the losses suffered by the enemy in obtaining his "scanty gain," the review estimates those of the British at 400,000 men, and those of the French at 180,000 men, making a total of some 600,000, or 2000 men to each square kilometer of desolate French territory regained.

The recognition of the terrible disparity between these sacrifices and the result obtained has led the enemy, the review continues, to deny his initial intentions, and to claim as his object the much more moderate one of rendering it impossible for the Central Powers fully to restore to their whole conduct of the war the offensive force "apparently wrested from them temporarily," and also to turn against the new enemy who had been goaded into attacking them meanwhile. After sketching month by month the course of the Somme fighting, the review contends that the position at the end of October proved that the combined forces of England and France had not succeeded in crushing the German troops in that section, and thereby in shaking the German western front. That is the reply of the German warriors on the Somme, it reads, to the object of the hostile Somme offensive, which has already been greatly modified of late.

As to the enemy's second modified object, namely, that of engaging so many troops on the western front that Germany would be unable to deal effectively with Rumania, the review proclaims: Our answer to this question was that we maintained the western front unshaken, and could nevertheless liberate sufficient forces not only to bring to a standstill the Russian massed attack, but to wrest from the enemy the spoil he had seized, and to assist the Bulgarians in recovering the territory of which they had been dispossessed at the Danube delta. The entrance gates to Rumania, the Balkan passes are already in our hands. The plan of our enemies to defeat our allies in the southeast one after another with the help of Rumania, to cut our communications with Constantinople, to obtain possession of the Turkish capital, and thereby to repair the breach in their lines of encirclement, has failed. Our reply so far to the second decisive question of the Entente has been a conquered Dobrudja, and a liberated Transylvania.

JOHN DILLON ON  
IRISH RECRUITING

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

London, England—Speaking at Whitefield's Tabernacle lately, on "Ireland and Her Relations to the Great War," Mr. John Dillon, M. P., said those people were wholly and disastrously wrong who assumed that Ireland could be dealt with on the same basis as Great Britain. To secure the right response from Ireland, he maintained, they had to touch the heart and fire the imagination of the Irish people, and could only do so by impressing them with the conviction that they were trusted. In this connection, he mentioned the interview which he and Mr. Redmond had with Lord Kitchener at the War Office on Aug. 6, 1914, and declared that every proposal they made was ignored, and for the first six months of the war recruiting in Ireland was in the hands of the ascendancy party. There was great enthusiasm in Ireland for the first six months of the war, because Irishmen were not and never had been cowards, and had the recruiting been properly conducted, a very much larger number of recruits would have been obtained. Mr. Dillon enumerated some of the snubs with which Irishmen had put up in their efforts to play a part in the war. These were lately admitted by Mr. Lloyd George and others in the Irish "debate" in the Commons. No Roman Catholic or Nationalist was allowed to be an officer in the Ulster division, Mr. Dillon declared. He did not quarrel with that, but when the Irish division was formed, though 85 per cent of the rank and file were Roman Catholics, 95 per cent of the officers were Protestants. That was what Ireland had to endure. Instead of her heart being appealed to, she was rebuffed, snubbed and insulted.

and treated like a hostile country. The formation of the coalition Government, Mr. Dillon held to be another source of trouble. Ireland's recent misfortunes he attributed in the first place to the stupidity of the War Office and in the second place to the stupidity of the Government. The effect of the coalition: Government which many of those responsible for creating it, he was amused to note, were now trying night after night to tear to pieces, had been to muzzle Parliament by restricting responsible criticism. With all its drawbacks and weaknesses, he regarded the party system as the only machine of liberty they had, and if the coalition had been a misfortune for Great Britain it had been fatal to Ireland.

The Government, in spite of their most urgent representations, made Sir Edward Carson a member of the Cabinet, and the effect had been that tens of thousands of young Irishmen felt that they had been sold again and that his inclusion meant the end of home rule. Mr. Dillon declared that it would be ridiculous to talk about forcibly applying conscription to Ireland. He asked if its advocates proposed to apply it to Canada, Australia and South Africa? If not, then he would say to them that as the British Parliament had recognized Ireland as a separate nation, Ireland was now in the same position as those Dominions. Ireland, as the result of the depletion of her man power during the last hundred years was like a country desolated by 20 years of war. Had England been just to Ireland in the past, Mr. Dillon maintained, 600,000 or 700,000 of the finest fighting men in Europe would have been with the colors today instead of 100,000. The Irish were a fighting race and did not need any military service acts to drag them into the army, if they were treated in the right way. If they got at the heart of Ireland they would have all the men she could spare.

CAPITAL AND LABOR  
AFTER THE CONFLICT

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

LEEDS, England—The relations of capital and labor after the war were discussed by Sir Joseph Compton Rickett, M. P., in a recent address at the Salem Church. He warned his hearers of two possible pitfalls—an export of labor after the war, and an export of capital when peace came. There would no doubt, he said, be a certain restlessness on the part of many men who returned to the common round and the daily task, and if there was any friction at home the danger to the country would be that a certain amount of such labor would seek some other part of the world. It was very desirable that the great textile trades should continue to have their center in and carry on their operations from England as of old—instead of works being set up abroad nearer the places of production and market—because their enormous mercantile marine largely depended upon their in-and-out trade. They must bring food in, and they needed to export manufactures so as to keep freights as low as possible. Regarding the minimum wage question the lecturer urged that in every great trade, there should be a minimum wage fixed every six months, or based on the Board of Trade returns showing the cost of living, and it might be worked on an automatic scale. He would rather see a business closed if it could not pay its operatives a living wage. He also advocated that both employers and employed should be required to belong to respective unions. He knew from the testimony of many employers that they would rather have unions such as existed at present than have to deal with an indiscriminate mass of people. He would give these unions a statutory position, and would have both employers and employed governed by the majority, the minority not having the right to break away. A great danger to the great unions of the present day was the indication of a want of cohesion. There should be arbitration courts for the division of profits between labor and capital, and no strikes should be lawful until the case had been arbitrated upon, and an agreement found impossible.

The Texas State Historical and Library Commission has framed amendments to the county free library law so that free library facilities may be granted to a greater number of the rural population. By amendment it is provided that in any precinct or part of the county the commissioners shall order an election on petition of 100 or more qualified voters, such election to be on the question of whether a free library shall be established, and to be determined by a majority vote instead of a two-thirds, as under the present law. Another amendment would provide for maintenance tax not to exceed 5 cents on the \$100 valuation of all taxable property in the county outside of incorporated cities and towns already supporting a free library.

Dr. Dawson Johnston, city librarian in St. Paul, Minn., has with the opening of a library in a wholesale house made a start on a system of branch libraries to be established in the mercantile concerns of the city. This library contains books on travel, industrial subjects and fiction, and was begun at the request of the business firm itself. Other branches in stores and factories will be opened as rapidly as possible. It is hoped in this way to reach many persons who do not

## IN THE LIBRARIES

In connection with the special exhibit of gift books for children now being held at the public library in Worcester, Mass., a printed slip has been issued calling attention to the display and stating: "The Free Public Library makes it a business to know children's books. Let it help you spend your money wisely." The slip contains several bits of advice like the following, which might well be brought home to fathers and mothers everywhere: "The friends made in books are as helpful or harmful as those made in school. Let your children own only the books whose characters are strong, true, worth knowing."

The Worcester library expects this year to distribute circulars in the immigrant colonies of the city explaining briefly the library facilities. Circulars in Syrian and modern Greek are now ready; others will be issued in Russian, Armenian, Polish, Lithuanian and in some other languages commonly understood in Worcester.

The librarian in London, Ont., says he has no hesitation in stating that the most interesting thing the library there is doing at present is interesting hundreds of the children of the city in the use of the library for their pleasure and profit. In years to come it will be these children, grown up, who will make the great educated reading public with whom the public library will have to deal.

On Jan. 5 the player piano music roll department of the St. Louis public library will complete its first year.

The department has been great success;

starting with a donation of 50 rolls it now has 2400 pieces of music in circulation.

The rolls are taken from the library under the same regulations that govern the circulation of books, and Saturday is a heavy day, as patrons apply for records then so that they may enjoy them on Sunday.

The average number of calls is 90 each day.

The department seems to be particularly popular with children.

A few persons, attendants say, visit the department who cannot read, and who therefore have to have assistance in selecting their favorite pieces.

The department is maintained solely through donations, a majority of these coming from the patrons, many of whom after hearing a selection played many times in their own home, take it to the library so that others may have the opportunity to borrow it.

At first most of the donated pieces were of the 65-note variety but now nearly all are 88-note.

The librarian, Arthur E. Bostwick, says that the department has proved a great drawing card for the library; that many who come to take out music become interested in books and magazines. Mr. Bostwick believes that a phonograph record department would be equally popular, and this innovation may be tried a little later.

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For this act of kindness I beg to remain, Sir, your most obedient, etc. ANNANT VAMAN BARVE, Working Secretary.

have time to go to the central library for books.

An interesting paragraph in the last annual report of the Pratt Institute Free Library states that by inclosing the southwest corner of the open-shelf room for the accommodation of a small library-chosen from the notable books of all literature, a new aspect has been given to the circulating department. A new and vital interest also has arisen here, both among the borrowers who discover that they may herein gain at a glance a survey of literature, and equally among the staff who have been called upon, as never before, to direct inquirers into the association of the great writers of all time. The alcove has been a conspicuous achievement in this department, promising indefinite expansion as its value and meaning get increasing recognition.

The annual report for the Libraries and Arts Committee of the city of Leeds says: "The libraries have been extensively used during the war for the circulation of a large number of placards, pamphlets and leaflets, in connection with the recruiting campaign of the army, and on the necessity of the nation exercising thrift. The central committee of National Patriotic Organizations sought the aid of the libraries in their work, and several thousands of their publications on the importance of the public studying the deeper causes which led to the present European war were distributed over the counter by the staff. Many of the regular readers and students are away on military or naval service, while others are occupied with munition making."

APPRECIATION OF  
SHAKESPEARE IN INDIA

Special to The Christian Science Monitor  
LONDON, England—In the correspondence column of The Times' literary supplement occurs a letter addressed to Sir Sidney Lee, and contributed by him, from The Bharat Natya Samaj, Poona (City) India.

It states that at the annual gathering of dramatists and actors held under the auspices of Bharat Natya Samaj on May 20, 1916, at Poona, presided over by Mr. S. B. Mujumdar, proprietor of a well-known opera company, named Kiroloskar Sangit Mandali, a special resolution was passed regarding the celebrations for Shakespeare at Stratford-on-Avon, the poet's birthplace. The resolution was proposed by Mr. S. N. Chapekar M. A., LL. B., and seconded by Rao Saheb G. W. Kanitkar, retired sub-Judge, and Mr. S. K. Damle, B. A., LL. B. It runs thus:

"English education has acquainted us with the works of this great poet, William Shakespeare, which have helped the present writers of Marathi dramas to improve their writings."

"Most of the great poet's works are either translated or adapted, which are very beautifully performed on the Indian stage. Some of the Indian actors have very skilfully represented the great characters of Hamlet, Macbeth, Othello, etc.

"The Bharat Natya Samaj is, therefore, very thankful for the benefit which this great poet's works have given to Indian stage, and sends its congratulations for the great festival which is done at the poet's birthplace.

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## FEDERAL EMPLOYEES TO MEET

Representatives of all branches of the Federal service not organized and affiliated with the American Federation of Labor will attend a meeting Friday evening in Blatchford Hall, Wells Memorial Building, for the purpose of organizing. Among the speakers will be R. E. Peabody, national organizer of the Federal Employees' Unions; Frank H. McCarthy, New England organizer of the A. F. of L.; P. Harry Jennings, president of the Boston C. L. U., and Edward P. Grady.

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## PARTICULARS OF A VISIT MADE TO DOUAUMONT FORT

Special to The Christian Science Monitor  
LONDON, England—Some hint of the conditions which at present are hampering the operations on the western front, is contained in a recent dispatch from the special correspondent of the British press with the French army. The dispatch is dated from Verdun some short time after the French reconquest of the forts of Vaux and Douaumont round about the end of October. Speaking of the district round Douaumont fort he says: The whole country was a network of holes, each hole being the result, not of one, but of several shells, which had fallen in the same spot. Its surface was such mud as has never before been seen in the history of war. The long slope consists of deep layers of soft, sticky mud, and even at a very great depth it is impossible to find any solid foundation. The clay has been torn up, disintegrated, and, as it were, plowed by big shells to an enormous depth.

We had not come through a barrage fire. The enemy was sending his shells more or less at random over every patch of ground by which he thought that human beings might be trying to pass. From time to time one could distinguish figures lying in such shelter from splinters and weather as a shell crater can offer. At one moment in the earliest and darkest hours of the morning the Germans opened a barrage fire between us and Douaumont. There was a shelter there, and there was nothing for it but to wait until their batteries were tired. An officer came out and insisted on our accepting the hospitality of his shelter.

It was a good deal further on, when, after the barrage had come to an end we reached a point at which Douaumont actually seemed an attainable reality. "Eight hundred yards to go," said the guide. "We shall be there in an hour. It is the worst ground of all, and when we get within 300 yards of the fort we must go quickly, as the Boches fire there continually." My impressions of that last lap to Douaumont are extremely shadowy. Before, I had been falling about once every 10 or 20 paces. Now I began to fall every five steps. It was not that the shell holes were closer together; that would have been impossible; it was simply that they were deeper, and a false step precipitated one down anything from four to eight feet into the soft mud.

At the end our party became separated into two. We were simply floundering out of one pit into another without any idea of direction. We seemed to be about half-way up the side of an enormous depression 40 or 50 feet deep. The German fire seemed to be growing more violent. That extremely unpleasant shell, the 130 mm., which comes too fast to announce its arrival, was exploding quite near, and we had to crouch close to the side of the depression in which we were to avoid the splinters.

Then a voice called from the darkness. "Here is the entrance to the fort." Unawares we stragglers reached Douaumont, all the time convinced that it was still far away. The huge depression was all that was left of the moat, and we had been trying to climb up the fort itself. Douaumont has received more heavy shells than it is possible to estimate, certainly a far greater weight of metal than the engineers who designed and built it ever imagined it would have to resist. Yet the basement of the fort was intact. Its outlying works have suffered severely or have been swept away; its upper story has been pierced through in one place, and in another a large hole has been made in its side, but this last damage is the work of French, not German, shells.

The enemy's famous 420 has done its utmost to wreck Douaumont, and has failed. The French 400s—16 in.—which have hit the fort have caused really serious injury to its massive fabric, so far as concerns the upper story. It would seem that in practice the French 400 mm. has proved itself a considerably more powerful weapon than that 420 mm. which was at the beginning of the war almost worshiped in Germany as the conqueror of Namur, Antwerp, and Maubeuge. If the German attacks Douaumont again he will find that the machine guns that he left behind him when he departed, fearing an explosion as a result of the French 400s, have been placed in quite new and far more advantageous points of vantage. The garrison is provisioned for a siege with every necessity of war to an extent that it never was when it was in German hands.

The commandant, after showing us his precious stores, took us to see the work of the French 400s. One of them broke clean through the upper story of the fort, making a hole like a lift well, and, though it did no harm to the galleries, it interrupted all communications between the east and west of the fort on that story. The French engineers, however, as soon as the fort was captured, set to work to restore communication, and it is now possible to go from one end of the fort, which is a very large one, to the other as easily as before. It was this shell that ignited a stock of grenades and persuaded the enemy that the fort was on the point of blowing up. The German garrison at once withdrew.

GERMAN PAPER ON NEW PROCLAMATION  
Special to The Christian Science Monitor  
BERLIN, Germany—An article in the Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung on the new Polish kingdom says: Germany and Austria-Hungary have made an historical decision. They have determined on the formation of a Polish State. A hundred years have passed since the European powers at the Vienna congress removed the main body of Poland from the circle of western culture and placed it in Rus-

## WAR OPERATIONS IN MESOPOTAMIA

Special to The Christian Science Monitor  
LONDON, England—A dispatch from Lieut.-Gen. Sir Percy Lake, K. C. B., formerly in command of the Indian expeditionary force "d," relative to the operations in Mesopotamia subsequent to April 30, 1916, has been published by the War Office. No

branching into Basrah, it was imperative to safeguard from floods the ground space required for camps, hutting, store depots and additional hospital accommodation. This was done by constructing first, a main protective embankment or "bund" from the Tigris at Magil to the higher ground at Shaiha. This "bund" was 11 to 12 miles long, and completely shut off the belt of flood water above referred to.

It was supplemented by a second bund, which branched off from it about two miles from the river, and was carried to the neighborhood of the Zubair Gate of Basrah, some three miles. A series of smaller subsidiary bunds was constructed along the river front and the intermediate creeks. The whole system, covering a total length of some 20 miles, safeguards an area of some 48 square miles in all, and of 1½ square miles at Magil and Makina Masus, which has been adopted as the main camp for troops in and near Basrah. Wharves have been constructed, and ocean-going steamers are now able to come alongside and unload.

## TRAFFIC PROBLEMS IN PHILADELPHIA

Special to The Christian Science Monitor  
PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—William H. Connell, chief of the Bureau of Highways, who has just finished a thorough study of traffic conditions in this city, in a report says traffic on Broad Street at certain hours of the day is the heaviest in the United States, being greater even than on Fifth Avenue, New York. Between 5 and 6 o'clock in the evening an average of 3400 vehicles pass Arch Street at Broad and the section immediately south from Arch Street to Filbert carries 37 per cent more traffic per hour than Fifth Avenue, New York, which according to a recent estimate by Marcus M. Marks, president of the Borough of Manhattan, accommodates about 2500 an hour.

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## CANADIANS GO TO GREAT BRITAIN

TORONTO, Ont.—Emigration from Canada to Great Britain is, and has been for some time past, very heavy. The Department of Internal Affairs now issues over 100 passports per month which is more than 10 times the number issued before the war, says the Mail and Empire. This means, in effect, that 1000 Canadians are leaving the Dominion for England every month.



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# NEWS OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE

## FREIGHT CAR SHORTAGE DUE TO CONGESTION

Southern Pacific Official Says Lack of Equipment Not the Fault of Railroads but of Terminal Facilities

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Julius Kruttschnitt, chairman of Southern Pacific executive committee, returned from the coast, says: "Business all along the coast and throughout California is on levels never before reached, and in the words of one of the company's western officials 'limited only by ability of the railroads to furnish cars. This matter of freight cars,' said Mr. Kruttschnitt, 'is one about which we sincerely wish the public might be better informed. The shortage of cars is not the fault of the railroads. If we kept on hand equipment enough to meet all exigency business at the maximum peak, the public would be justified in blank refusal to pay rates that would yield any sort of return on the capital required.'

"Shortage of cars is not the fault of the railroads. It is due to great congestion of cars at terminals on seaboard. We can't get rid of the freight when we get it here. We have leased additional piers in borough of Brooklyn at One Hundred Twenty-fifth Street and on Staten Island. There is nothing more that we can do. It is a shortage of ocean tonnage, not of cars and railroad facilities."

"Any properly equipped road can carry an overload of 100 per cent, to 125 per cent, but how is it to be handled throughout the country? Tens of thousands of little industry tracks are taxed right now with a business two or three times greater than they can handle, but it is all due to the lack of equipment among receivers of freight, not the shortage of facilities among the roads."

"On our Sunset line congestion at terminals has been unavoidable. The Panama Canal had been under construction four or five years. Railroads had asked permission to compete with canal, but had been refused conditions enabling company competition. Now because of the war, and closing of the canal for some time, practically all of freight moving has been swung back to the railroads, and in such volume that the congestion was unavoidable."

"Sentiment toward railroads across the country is better than in any previous period."

"Southern Pacific has developed a splendid machine. During past year car mileage shows an increase of 26 per cent over previous year, with 8 per cent increase in carload and 12 per cent increase in trainload, these gains being over 1915 figures, which were increases over previous year."

"For several years Southern Pacific's main lines have been in first-class condition. The improvement in the last year or two has been on the branch and side lines which we have been equipping with heavier rail and ballast. The ability of Southern Pacific to handle the big increases in traffic shows the very satisfactory condition of the staff throughout."

## LARGER EXPORTS OF CRUDE OIL

AUSTIN, Tex.—There was an unexpected large increase in quantity of crude oil sent from Port Arthur, Tex., to England during November, exports amounting to \$2,136,793. Most of this oil went to supply British Navy in the North Sea, it is said. Crude oil exports to England, France and Italy from Texas during present month promise to be much larger than for last month. A big increase of gasoline exports to those countries is looked for.

## ARGENTINA GETS TEMPORARY LOAN

NEW YORK, N. Y.—J. P. Morgan & Co. announce that pending completion of plans for permanent financing, the Argentine Republic has sold to the South American group \$16,500,000 of six-month notes dated Dec. 15. There will be no public offering of these notes. The South American group is composed of J. P. Morgan & Co., the National City Company, the Guaranty Trust Company, Lee, Higginson Company, and Harris, Forbes & Co.

## FOREIGN BONDS

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Below are compared Tuesday's high with Monday's closing for some of the principal foreign loans traded in on the local market:

Tues. Monday's close	high	Adv.
Amer Foreign Secy 60..	97%	97%
Anglo French 60..	94	1
City of Paris 60..	95	95%
Gr Britain & Ireland 60 98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2
Canadian 60 1931	99 1/2	99 1/2

**OIL LAND DEAL**  
FRANKLIN, Pa.—South Penn Oil Company has bought the holdings of the Enterprise Transit Company on northwestern Pennsylvania and southeastern New York. They consist of 25,000 acres and 100 barrels a day production.

**REFINED SUGAR LOWER**  
NEW YORK, N. Y.—Price for granulated has been lowered five points to 7 1/2c. Spot for raws is unchanged at 5 1/2c.

## DIVIDENDS

Michigan Central Railroad Company declared usual semiannual dividend of 2 per cent.

The Merchants Dispatch & Transport Company declared a dividend of 2 1/2 per cent.

Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Railway Company declared a dividend of 1 1/2 per cent.

Canada Southern Railway Company declared usual semiannual dividend of 1 1/2 per cent.

New York Title & Mortgage Company increased quarterly dividend from 1 1/2 to 1 7/8 per cent to a 7 per cent basis.

Mahoning Coal Railroad Company declared a dividend of \$5 a share on common and a dividend of \$2.50 on the preferred.

Kanawha & Michigan Railway Company declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent. This is same amount as three months ago.

Detroit River Tunnel Company declared a semiannual dividend of 3 per cent. This is same as declared six months ago.

The Union Passenger Railway Company declared regular semi-annual dividend of \$4.75 a share, payable Jan. 1 as registered Dec. 15.

Illinois Traction Company declared regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on preferred stock, payable Jan. 1 to holders of record Dec. 22.

Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railway Company declared usual quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on its preferred stock.

Mercantile Trust Company of St. Louis has declared an extra dividend of 2 per cent, which will make a 20 per cent dividend for the year.

The Exchange Trust Company of Boston will pay its usual quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on Jan. 2 to stockholders of record Dec. 26.

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Torrington Company directors declared usual quarterly dividend of 3 per cent and an extra of 1 per cent, payable Jan. 3 to stock of record Dec. 20.

The Duluth Edison Electric Company has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on its preferred stock, payable Jan. 2 to holders of record Dec. 16.

The Canadian Cottons Company, Ltd., has declared regular quarterly dividends of 1 per cent on the common and of 1 1/2 per cent on the preferred, payable Jan. 4.

Keystone Telephone Company declared a dividend of 2 per cent, on account of accumulated dividends on preferred stock, payable Feb. 1 to stock of record Jan. 21.

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The Midwest Sulphur Company declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 cents a share, payable Jan. 5 to stock of record Dec. 20. On Oct. 1, last, a quarterly dividend of 1 cent a share was paid.

The Eastern Texas Electric Company has declared regular semi-annual dividends of \$3 a share on the preferred and \$2.50 share on the common stock, payable Jan. 2 to holders of record Dec. 20.

Provincial Paper Mills Company, Montreal, declared an initial quarterly dividend of 1 per cent on common and regular quarterly of 1 1/2 per cent on the preferred payable Jan. 2 to stock of record Dec. 15.

Farr Alpaca Company has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 2 per cent and an extra dividend of 7 per cent, payable Dec. 30 to holders of record Dec. 21. This makes 15 per cent for the year.

Intertyp Corporation has declared an initial dividend of \$2 per share on the second preferred stock and usual quarterly dividend of \$2 per share on first preferred stock, both payable Jan. 2, to holders of record Dec. 12.

The Empire Steel & Iron Company has declared a dividend of 3 per cent on its preferred stock, payable Jan. 1. A similar disbursement was ordered six months ago. Accumulated dividends on this issue amount to 45 1/2 per cent.

Pierce-Arrow Motor Car Company declared an initial dividend on preferred for period from Dec. 6, date of preferred stock issue, to and including Dec. 31, at rate of 8 per cent per annum, payable Jan. 2 to stock of record Dec. 20.

The United Shoe Machinery Company has declared regular quarterly dividends of 1 1/2 per cent, 37 1/2 cents a share, on the preferred stock and 2 per cent, 50 cents a share, on the common stock, both payable Jan. 5 to holders of record Dec. 19.

A dividend of 20 per cent has been declared on the common stock of the United States Gauge Company. The regular semi-annual dividend of 3 1/2 per cent also has been declared on the preferred stock. Both payments will be made on Dec. 31 to holders of record Dec. 20.

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## JAPAN FACTOR IN SYDNEY'S WOOL AUCTION

Sales Characterized by Activity and Better Grades Among Offering in Strong Demand—Prices Somewhat Easier

By a special correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor at Sydney, Australia.

SYDNEY, Australia.—After an interval of a fortnight wool sales were resumed at the end of October, and marked the commencement of the regular weekly series, which are to continue uninterruptedly during November, after which a further recess will take place while auctions are being held in the Brisbane market. Offerings comprised some 36,173 bales, of which 31,247 bales were sold.

Catalogues were representative, and contained many attractive lines, with a big proportion of medium grades, the bulk of which showed more or less bust and dust. The market was tested with a fair number of extra super quality lots, and for these the extreme prices of a fortnight ago were not equalled. The sales were characterized by activity, and for all good wools the demand was urgent, especially on those lines which shared in the strong Japanese competition, running chiefly on fine wools.

These sold at better rates than at last auctions. Bold, shaggy skirtings are also in strong demand, but short, wavy or burly lines are still in marked disfavor. Until America is allowed to operate on faulty lines it is expected there will be no recovery in prices, as the larger proportion of good quality that is likely to be available as the season progresses will render it easier for buyers to fill their orders with such better class wools.

The feature of the sales was the support for fine wools from the Japanese section. This section has greatly increased in importance since the war began, and is now a strong factor in influencing values, and it would appear as if a record quantity will be shipped to the East this season. The progress of the industry in Japan has been striking since the outbreak of war, and it is estimated that nearly 20,000,000 pounds of wool have gone into Russian contracts. The outlook is very bright for future trade with Australia, and should the war continue further Russian orders will in all probability be secured. The capacity of the mills is being increased, and it is considered safe to look for strong demand from Japan for some time to come.

The Yorkshire section has increased in activity since the opening of the market, and is now giving strong support. French and Italian sections have also begun to show increased activity, whilst local users are still purchasing freely.

The purchasing syndicate is headed by the Central Bank of Norway and includes the principal bankers and business firms of Norway. It is capitalized at about 10,000,000 crowns, or \$2,680,000.

Germany is said to have covetted these mines, and their sale will obviate any possibility of future international friction over them between American and Teuton interests.

Spitzenbergs Islands are in the Arctic, north of Norway and only about 700 miles from the North Pole. There are only approximately 100 days of open season, but the mines promise to prove one of the most notable coal properties in the world.

The field of the Arctic property alone covers 170 square miles. Exploration under charge of the Boston owners disclosed 100,000,000 tons of coal on

# COLLEGE, SCHOOL AND CLUB ATHLETICS

## SECOND SESSION OF BASEBALL MEN THIS AFTERNOON

Important Matters Will Be Taken up by National League Heads  
—Disability List Is Abolished  
—New 22-Player Limit

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Baseball club owners in the National league will meet here this afternoon in the second session of their annual meeting of 1916. It is expected that some of the subjects which will receive the attention of the owners today are proposed changes in the world's series, the refusal of the International league to pay the award of \$9000 given the Brooklyn Club by the National Commission and a possible investigation of Manager McGraw's statement regarding the playing of the New York Giants against Brooklyn in their last series of the championship race of 1916.

Routine business engaged most of the time at the first session Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was preceded by a conference of the board of directors. After luncheon the presidents and other representatives of the eight clubs assembled, and the session continued until after 6 o'clock. During the afternoon the league officers and the club executives listened to reports by President J. K. Tener and Secretary J. A. Heydler.

The disability list under which clubs were permitted last season to carry extra players was abolished and a new rule for 1917, allowing each club to carry 22 players from May 15 to Aug. 31, in place of the 21-player rule in 1916 was adopted. At other periods of the season the 35-player regulation will prevail as heretofore.

The committee on constitution was instructed to draw up an amendment for adoption in February, increasing the board of directors from five to eight, which means that every club president will be a member of this committee instead of three of the eight being left out.

A short report was made by G. W. Pepper, attorney for the National league, on the suit of the Baltimore Federal league club against the senior organization as one of the defendants in the action arising from the peace settlement between organized baseball and the Federal league.

A committee representing the American association presented a protest against the draft rule now in operation against Class AA leagues, and the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, through a committee, presented a petition requesting the formation of a board of arbitration to settle disputes between the major and minor leagues. It was proposed that this board be composed of two major league and two minor league representatives with a fifth member to be selected outside of baseball ranks. Both requests were tabled for further consideration.

President Tener recommended that official action be taken by the league, looking to a revision of the world's series rules, especially with the view of setting aside a part of the players' percentage for distribution among the players of other clubs not participating in the series, the same to be apportioned on the relative standing of these clubs in their respective leagues.

Secretary Heydler's report showed 98 postponed games during the season, of which 22 were in April and 27 in June. Boston, Brooklyn and Pittsburgh suffered most, each having 16 postponed. In St. Louis there were but six postponements. Four games remained unplayed. Ninety-nine doubleheaders were played and during the season 14,774 baseballs were used—an increase of 1526 over the 1915 season. New York used the greatest number and Pittsburgh the least.

The International league club owners deliberated for over eight hours Tuesday before ending their annual business meeting, which opened Monday.

Many of the details of the international series between the American association and International league clubs were gone into. The International men proposed that each club donate \$625 instead of \$500, to make the purse for the winning league \$10,000. This was agreed to by all present, including the visiting committee from the American association. Then the International conceded that the series should begin in the western cities and the committee which will control the post-season games is to consist of President Hickey, American association, the president of the Three-I league and President Barrow.

The International's season will open about April 18 and close Aug. 5. The post-season series, consisting of 48 games, will begin on Aug. 7.

### Mr. Johnson Backs Commission

CHICAGO, Ill.—Any hope the minor leagues had that B. B. Johnson would side with them in their demands on the National Commission was dimmed today when the American league president announced that he would support the decision of the two other members of the commission.

"I can in no manner approve of the action of the International League taken at its meeting," President Johnson said. "He also denied he had sponsored the idea of a third major league.

"It was simply brought to me as a suggestion, and thinking it might be of benefit to the leagues involved, I approved it. I did not foster the plan nor boost it."

## CHELSEA LOSE THEIR FIRST MATCH IN THE COMBINATION

Tottenham Hotspurs Are Winners at Association Football by Score of Four Goals to Two—F. Walden Plays Brilliantly for Victors at Right Wing

Special to The Christian Science Monitor  
LONDON, England—Chelsea, as reported in the cables of The Christian Science Monitor, have lost their first match in the Association football program of the London Combination, going under to Tottenham Hotspurs on Nov. 26 by 4 goals to 2. This leaves only two undefeated clubs in the whole of the teams engaged in Scottish and English Association football. Glasgow Celtic in the former and Liverpool, the leaders of the Lancashire section of the league, are the clubs in question.

Chelsea's downfall was entirely unexpected, as the Spurs were not strongly represented, but the chief element in it seems to have been their inability to hold the Tottenham right wing man, F. Walden, whose small size was rather an advantage on the greasy ground. His centers, his quickness at taking the passes that were given to him, and his elusiveness in getting round the opposing halfbacks, astonished and delighted the home spectators, and brought an honor to the Celtic once more and signalized the event by scoring the only goal which won the match with Aberdeen. Aberdeen played a keen game and did well to run their formidable opponents so close. Ardronians, after being in arrears twice during the game with the Academicals, finally made a draw of it, sharing four goals with their opponents. The Rangers had no difficulty at Raith and returned victory by 4 goals to 1. Falkirk were heavily defeated by 5 goals to 0 on the St. Mirren ground. The remaining matches ended: Dunbarton 1, Kilmarnock 1; Hearts 2, Queen's Park 2; Motherwell 3, Clyde 3; Partick Thistle 3, Dundee 1; Ayr United 2, Hibernians 1. Results of Scottish League to Nov. 25:

	Goals	Pld	W	L	Drn	F	Ag	Pts
W. Ham United	12	1	1	4	18	4	12	32
Chelsea	13	11	1	1	38	9	23	33
Millwall Athletic	10	2	1	2	29	15	21	21
Luton	13	8	4	1	40	23	17	27
Leeds	13	8	5	0	36	18	16	26
Clapton Orient	14	1	9	4	21	37	6	26
Portsmouth	13	4	6	3	16	18	12	21
Tottenham Hotspur	14	5	8	1	28	32	11	21
Watford	13	4	6	3	18	20	11	21
Crystal Palace	13	4	8	1	20	31	9	21
Queen's Pk Rgs	13	4	8	1	16	33	9	21
Brentford	13	3	8	2	13	29	8	21
Clapton Orient	14	1	9	4	21	37	6	26
Portsmouth	13	1	11	1	14	43	2	21

Leeds City have now regained the leadership of the Midland section of the league, for Birmingham were beaten by Grimsby Town 3 goals to 0, while the City won at Chesterfield by the odd goal in seven. Grimsby are one of the lowest clubs in the league and the result was a complete surprise to their opponents. Birmingham were the clever team, but they failed to make the fullest use of their opportunities. The Barnsley team gained another honor, in addition to that of inflicting a first defeat upon Leeds City, for they visited Sheffield United and won by 3 to 1, being the first visiting club to win on that enclosure this season. J. M'Ilveen scored three goals in the first half of the Bradford City game with Notts Forest and gave his side the victory by 3 to 2. The other Bradford team failed against Notts County by 2 goals to 1. An excellent game was witnessed at Huddersfield with Lincoln City the visitors. The result was 3 to 1 in favor of the home club. Leicester Fosse were beaten by Hull City 2 goals to 0, and the program was completed with a goalless draw between Rotherham County and Sheffield Wednesday.

In Lancashire, Liverpool, the leaders of the section, maintained their undefeated record, though they only managed to make a draw of it with Manchester City by a score of 1 all. They still have a satisfactory lead of three points in the table over their nearest rivals from Burnley. The runners-up just scraped through at Rochdale by 2 goals to 1, as did Everton, who are close behind them in the table. Everton were opposed to Manchester United and won by 3 to 2. On the day's play the City of Liverpool had the best of the argument with Manchester. Blackburn Rovers continue their slide down the table, for they were beaten again on Saturday by Stockport County 4 goals to 2. Bolton Wanderers went in for amassing a big total and ran up six goals against Preston North End. Preston, however, were able to reply with a couple. Joseph Smith as usual, claimed a good share of the goals (four) and kept his record line together in masterly fashion. The other results of the Lancashire section were: Port Vale 4, Oldham Athletic 0; Blackpool 1, Stoke 1; Southport Central 2, Bury 1. Results of league to Nov. 25:

### MIDLAND SECTION

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Birmingham	13	5	2	2	32	15	20	21
Huddersfield	13	8	1	1	21	15	17	21
Barnsley	13	5	3	2	29	18	15	21
Sheffield United	12	6	4	2	27	22	15	21
Bradford	13	6	1	6	26	18	12	21
Chesterfield	13	5	6	2	24	22	12	21
Bradford City	13	4	8	1	21	23	12	21
Bolton Wed.	13	4	5	4	17	19	12	21
Leicester Fosse	13	5	7	1	22	28	11	21
Notts County	13	3	8	2	21	29	11	21
Rotherham Co.	13	3	8	5	15	22	11	21
Hull City	13	4	6	3	17	39	11	21

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## EIGHT PLAYERS NOW REMAIN IN SQUASH TENNIS

Harvard Club Is Leading With No Less Than Five Representatives in Round Before Semifinals

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Only eight of those who entered the annual handicap tournament of the National Squash Tennis Association Saturday now remain to play for the chief trophy on the courts of the Harvard Club. Today's play is in the fifth round, one before the semifinals, and of the eight representatives, the Harvard Club is leading with five.

Fourth-round matches were played

Tuesday, and the chief match of the day was between Lindsay Bradford of the Yale Club and W. V. Booth of the Harvard Club. On Monday Bradford

defeated C. M. Bull Jr. of Waltham

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## ATTENTION FIXED ON PRESIDENT BY PEACE MOVE

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world have in a manner become adjusted. All these things would have to be involved in an armistice.

### Proposal Welcomed

Applause Greets Words of Chancellor in the Reichstag

Special Cable to The Christian Science Monitor from its European Bureau

BERLIN, Germany (Wednesday)—In view of the previous intimation of the importance of the occasion, the crowd outside the Reichstag yesterday was greater even than on August 4, 1914, and intense excitement prevailed throughout the capital. The galleries and floor of the House were packed when the Chancellor rose to announce that Germany and her allies had definitely offered to negotiate.

References to military events were interrupted by "bravos" but there was a storm of applause when he came to speak of peace which broke into clapping of hands when he read the note to enemy powers. The demonstration was suppressed by the President and the majority of the Conservatives sat with folded arms, showing ostentatious disapproval.

When the Chancellor had concluded his speech, Dr. Spahn, Center leader, proposed the adjournment of the House but Herr Bassermann, the National Liberal, demanded a discussion of the speech, being supported by the Conservatives and Socialist minority, but the adjournment motion was carried.

### Text of Peace Note

Communication Sent by Central Powers to Hostile Nations

Special Cable to The Christian Science Monitor from its European Bureau

BERLIN, Germany (Wednesday)—The following is the text of the note addressed to Germany and her allies to the hostile governments:

"The most terrific war ever experienced in history has been raging for the last two years and a half over a large part of the world—a catastrophe which thousands of years of common civilization was unable to prevent and which injures the most precious achievements of humanity.

"Our aims are not to scatter or annihilate our adversaries.

"In spite of our consciousness of our military and economic strength and our readiness to continue the war (which had been forced upon us) until the bitter end, if necessary, and, at the same time, prompted by the desire to avoid further bloodshed and make an end to the atrocities of war, the four allied powers propose to enter into peace negotiations. The proposition which they bring forward for such negotiations and which has had for their object a guarantee of the honor and liberty of the evolution of their nations are, according to their belief, a basis for the establishment of a lasting peace.

"The four allied powers have been obliged to take up arms to defend justice and the liberty of the nations' evolution. The glorious deeds of our armies have in no way altered their purpose. We always maintained the firm belief that our own rights and claims in no way control the rights of these nations.

"The spiritual and material progress which were the pride of Europe at the beginning of the Twentieth Century are threatened with ruin. Germany and her allies, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria, and Turkey, gave proof of their unconquerable strength. In this struggle they gained gigantic advantages over adversaries superior in numbers and war material.

"Our lines stand unshaken against every repeated attempt made by the armies. The last attack in the Balkans has been rapidly and victoriously overcome. The most recent events have demonstrated that further continuance of the war will not result in breaking the resistance of our forces, and the whole situation with regard to our troops justifies our expectation of further successes.

"If in spite of this offer of peace and reconciliation the struggle should go on the four allied powers are resolved to continue to a victorious end, but they disclaim responsibility for this before humanity and history. The Imperial Government, through the good offices of Your Excellency, ask the Government of (here are inserted the name of the neutral power addressed in each instance) to bring this communication to the knowledge of the Government of (here are inserted the names of belligerents)."

### English Press Views

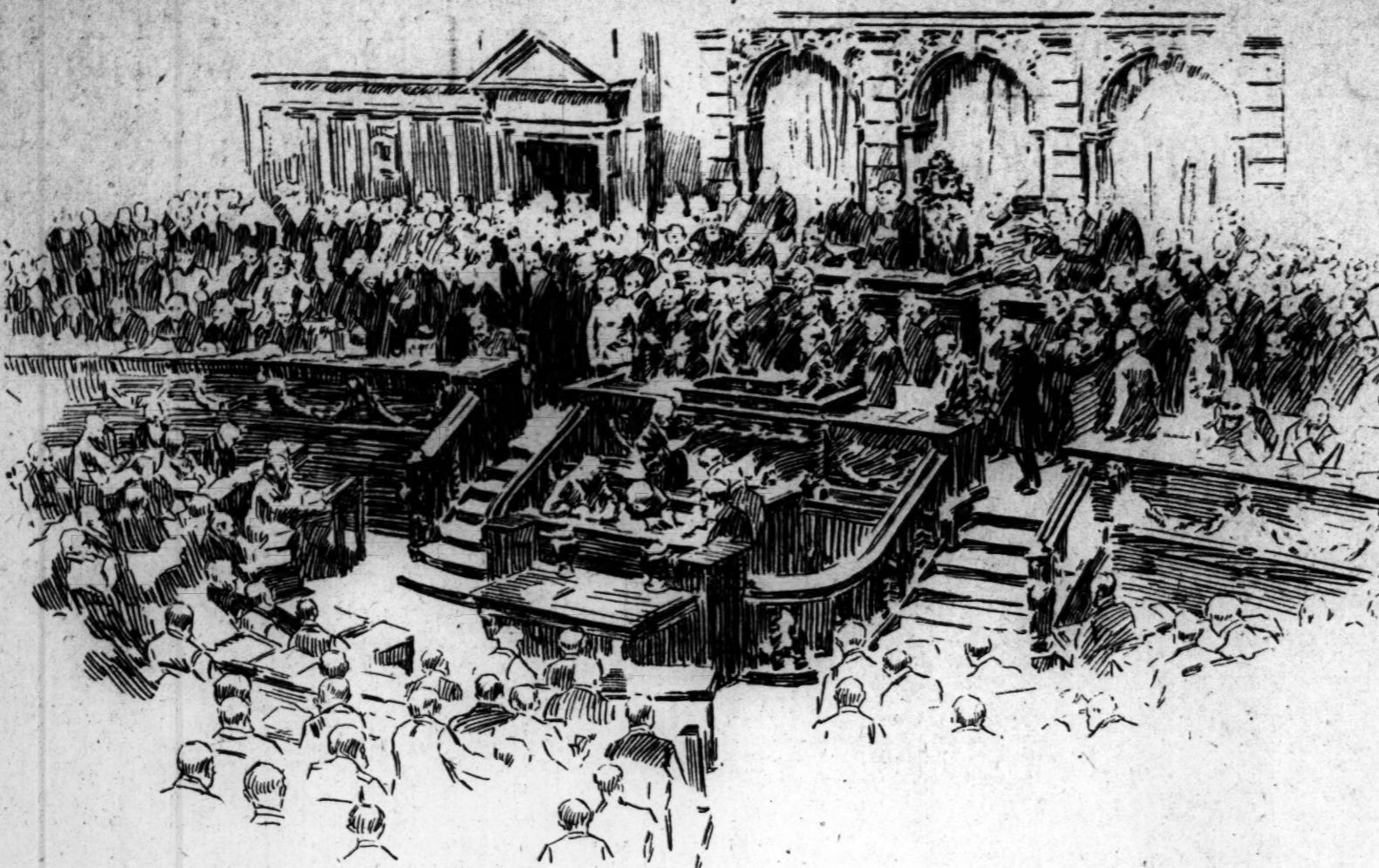
How Papers Regard Proposals of Central Powers

Special Cable to The Christian Science Monitor from its European Bureau

LONDON, England (Wednesday)—

Commenting on the German peace proposals, The Times says the language is not that of a belligerent who recognizes the failure of militarism and is genuinely anxious to come to terms with the adversary. All the Allies and those neutrals who have studied Germany's motives and actions, The Times considers will be unmoved by this parade of power and unctuous rectitude.

Germany's attempt to induce the United States to make a spontaneous proposal of mediation has lamentably and conspicuously failed. After a reference to recent developments in Entente countries, The Times says that indefinite admissions and overstrained protests in the Chancellor's speech confirm the striking evidence from the German press and from many other sources that Germany, to say nothing of Austria, is suffering seri-



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The Reichstag in session

ously from the economic pressure of the war and of the blockade.

Germany, The Times considers, hopes to give heart to her depressed population to secure some slackening of hostilities which would afford her opportunities for reduced peace intrigues amongst belligerents and neutrals and to fasten the blame for the continuation of the war upon her opponents. The Entente must absolutely reject any idea of mediation in any shape and from any quarter so long as the basis proposed is the triumph of might and not of right.

They must refuse with equal firmness even to talk about an armistice until the lands which the enemy has overrun are restored and compensated. They must renew the enunciation of peace terms laid once for all in Mr. Asquith's Guildhall speech, and they must redouble their efforts to force these terms upon Germany and her accomplices.

There can be no compromise and no talk of a drawn war where the very principles of public right are at stake. Like other papers, the Daily Chronicle thinks Germany has chosen the moment well. Germany hopes a discussion of her peace terms may develop fissures in the alliance and turn neutrals against us. The Chronicle then recalls the fact that apart from something like a famine of "une and July in Germany, which will be worse next year, Germany was visibly outmatched on the fronts as a whole before the autumn wet came to her rescue. When the spring dries the ground, the Allies will have such superiority in guns, munitions and men as has never yet been possessed by either side.

Germany's cue was to snatch a military victory to balance the five great military defeats on the western Italian and Russian theaters, and then to come forward with an appeal for the cessation of bloodshed and an offer of peace on "as-you-were" terms. The Chronicle says that just as no peace can be satisfactory which is not made by the Allies as a whole, so no terms can be satisfactory which do not secure Allied interests all round.

The final destruction of the military domination of Prussia, stipulated by Mr. Asquith, still holds good, the Chronicle maintains, and it points out what Germany means by Mittel Europa, adding that western nations, while insisting upon the restitution and reparation of all territory overrun by Germany in the West, must not forget the danger of an overwhelming German power being built up elsewhere in spite of them.

The Daily News thinks one factor actuating Germany in making peace terms is to justify the Government in the eyes of Germany where there is a powerful and growing suspicion of the Government. That suspicion the Chancellor hopes to allay by putting the Allies in a position of refusing all overtures and consolidating the country on the conviction that Germany is being reduced to a sheer defensive war of existence. He calculates the rejection of his offer would give him the sanction of his people and indorsement of the neutral world in a policy of unmilitarized ferocity.

The Daily News maintains that while the Entente cannot enter into peace negotiations on the basis that Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg offers that they must put their case before the enemy and neutral powers. They must state the terms on which they are prepared to negotiate and throw on Germany the responsibility of rejecting or accepting that basis of negotiation. The terms may be as high as the crimes of Germany warrant and they should be terms consistent with justice and having regard for securing the future of the world against a recurrence of this tragedy and which will reasonably fulfill the declaration of Mr. Asquith as the object of the Allies.

The Daily Telegraph says: Until we know precisely what is involved we are debarred from all opportunity of discussing the proffer of the German branch.

No one can either accept or decline a vague formula of words, not likely to mean much. It is not for us to say "yes" or "no" to a nebulous offer of unknown terms. It is to the Allies as a whole that the appal-

whatever it may turn out to be has been made and it is in their corporate capacity who must answer. The Manchester Guardian says, as Germany has asked for peace we ought to know on what terms she is prepared to conclude it.

It is not necessary to offer even a formal armistice nor to admit intervention of a third party, but the interchange of views should be immediate and direct. It will be for all concerned a case of cards on the table, a most salutary result, and we shall know and not merely conjecture what exactly stands between us and peace, and, if the war is to go on, why it is to go on and for what definite objects. That will be an enormous and stimulating gain.

The Birmingham Daily Post says the replies sent to Germany will be decisive for the simple reason that no other reply is possible. Germany will be given to understand we cannot even negotiate when there is no possibility of agreement on terms we could accept.

### Note Sent to the Pope

BERLIN, Germany (Wednesday)—The note presented by Dr. Muhlbarg, German Minister to the Vatican, to Cardinal Gasparri, Papal Secretary of State, follows:

"According to instructions received, I have the honor to send to your eminence a copy of the declaration which the Imperial Government today, by the good offices of the powers intrusted with the protection of German interests in the countries with which the German Empire is in a state of war, transmits to these states, and in which the Imperial Government declares itself ready to enter into peace negotiations.

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To those who feel that they would enjoy an exhaustive history of textiles, a descriptive catalogue relating to the collection of textiles in the South Kensington Museum, prepared by the Very Rev. Daniel Rock (1870), is recommended. In the introduction to that catalogue, one gets the story of woven linens, cottons, silks, paper, gold, and silver threads, interspersed with precious jewels and glass beads—all materials woven by hand or machine.

The story of textiles includes: first, woven materials; second, embroidered materials; third, a combination of the two, known as "tapestry." If one reads their wonderful story, starting in Assyria, then progressing to Egypt, the Orient, Greece, Rome, and Western Europe, in any history of textiles, one may obtain quickly and easily a clear idea of this department of interior decoration from earliest times.

The first European silk is said to have been in the form of transparent gauze, dyed in lovely tones for the women of the Greek Islands, a form of costume later condemned by Greek philosophers. We know that embroidery was an art 3000 years ago; in fact, the figured garments seen on the Assyrian and Egyptian bas-reliefs are supposed to represent materials with embroidered figures—not woven patterns—whereas in the Bible, when we read of embroidery, according to the translators, this sometimes meant woven stripes.

The earliest garments of Egypt were of cotton and hemp, or mallow, resembling flax. The older Egyptians never knew silks in any form, nor did the Israelites, nor any of the ancients. The earliest account of this material is given by Aristotle (Fourth Century). It was brought into Western Europe from China, via India, the Red Sea and Persia, and the first to weave it outside the Orient was a maiden on the Isle of Cos, off the coast of Asia Minor, producing a thin, gauze-like tissue worn by herself and companions. Today those tiny bits of gauze which one sees aid in between the leaves of old manuscripts to protect the illuminations, as our publishers use sheets of tissue paper, are said to be examples of this earliest form of woven silk.

The Romans used silk at first only for their women, as it was considered not a masculine material, but gradually they adopted it for the festival robes of men, Titus and Vespasian being among those said to have worn it. The first silk looms were set up in the royal palaces of the Roman kings in the year 533 A.D. The raw material was brought from the East for a long time, but in the Sixth Century two Greek monks, while in China, studied the method of rearing silk worms and obtaining the silk. They are accredited with introducing the manufacture of silk into Greece and hence into Western Europe. After that Greece, Persia, and Asia Minor made this material, and Byzantium was famed for its silks, the actual making of which got into the hands of the Jews and was for a long time controlled by them.

Metals (gold, silver, and copper) were flattened out and cut into narrow strips for winding around cotton twists. These were the gold and silver threads used in weaving. The Moors and Spaniards used strips of gilded parchment, instead of metals, for weaving with the silk.

We know that England was weaving silk in the Thirteenth Century, and velvets seem to have been used at a very early date. The introduction of silk and velvet into different countries had an immediate and much needed influence in civilizing the manners of society. It is hard to realize that in the Thirteenth Century, when Edward I married Eleanor of Castile, the highest nobles of England, when resting at their ease, stretched at full length on the straw-covered floors of baronial halls, jeered at the Spanish couriers who hung the walls and stretched the floors of Edward's castle with silks, in preparation for his Spanish bride.

The progress of art and culture was always from the East and moved slowly. Do not go so far back as the Thirteenth Century. James I of England owned no stockings when he was James VI of Scotland, and had to borrow a pair in which to receive the English Ambassador.

In the Eleventh Century, Italy manufactured her own silks, and into them were woven precious stones, corals, seed pearls, and colored glass beads which were made in Greece and Venice, as well as gold and silver spangles (Twelfth and Thirteenth centuries).

Here is an item on interior decoration from Proverbs vii, 16: "I have woven my bed with cords, I have covered it with painted tapestry brought from Egypt." There were painted tapestries made in Western Europe at a very early date, and collectors eagerly seek them. In the Fourteenth Century, these painted tapestries were referred to as "stained cloth."

Embroidery as an art, as we have seen, antedates silk weaving. The youngest of the three arts is tapestry. The oldest embroidery stitches are the "feather stitch," so called because they all took one direction, the stitches overlapping like the feathers of a bird; and "cross stitch" or "cushion" style, because used on church cushions. Hand-woven tapestries are called "comb wrought" because the instrument used in weaving was like a

comb. "Cut work" is embroidery that is cut out and appliqued or sewed on another material.

Carpets which were used in Western Europe in the Middle Ages are seldom seen. The Kensington Museum owns two specimens, both of them Spanish, one of the Fourteenth and one of the Fifteenth Century.

Bostwick Castle, Scotland, had its vaulted ceiling painted with towers, battlements and pinnacles, a style of mural decoration which one sees in the oldest castles of Germany. It recalls the illumination in old manuscripts.

## Preserved Ginger

Pare the roots of green ginger and lay in cold water for 15 minutes. Boil in 3 waters, changing the hot for cold every time, until very tender; then drain and lay in ice water. For the syrup, allow 1 1/4 pounds of sugar for every pound of ginger and a cup of water for every pound of sugar. Boil and skim until the scum ceases to rise. When the syrup is cold, wipe the ginger dry and drop it in. Let it stand 24 hours. Drain off and reheat the syrup. This time put the ginger in when only warm. Do not boil at it again for two days. Then reboil the syrup, and pour over the ginger scalding hot. In a week drain off once more, boil, and add again while hot to the ginger. Cover closely. It will be fit for use in a fortnight.

## The New Drop Sleeve

A feature of some of the newest sleeve models shows a tendency to return to the old-fashioned "bell" sleeve that was in vogue some years ago. Many of the blouses and frocks show sleeves that drop just below the elbow into a pocket of fullness, sometimes caught in at the wrist but often left open, with the cuff of the sleeve closing together below the opening. A handsome velvet coat showed this same sleeve, the opening giving a glimpse of the light satin lining. Presumably the gap would be closed up by the ends of the muff, when the arms were plunged into it.

## Dixie Relish

One quart of cabbage, 1 pint of white onions, 1 pint of sweet red pepper, 1 pint of green pepper, 5 tablespoons of salt, 4 tablespoons of mustard seed, 2 tablespoons of crushed celery seed, 3/4 of a cup of sugar, 1 quart of vinegar. Chop fine and put in a kettle. Cover with vinegar and cook slowly until ingredients are tender.

## A Rough and Ready Sport Coat

The woman who spends much of her time out of doors has frequent need for a big, rough and ready coat, light but warm, which will stand being tossed in a corner, and which bundles her up snugly in the automobile. The polo coat, so called, shown in the photograph, is one of the most popular and serviceable wraps for this purpose. It is of a soft, pliable camel's hair, in practical straight lines, with huge pockets, turned-up collar to snuggly down to, and soft dark colors, such as tannish-brown and heather. The tam-o'-shanter which is worn with it is of two shades of corduroy, and may be rolled up and put in the pocket of the big coat, if need be.

## Arrangements and Rearrangements of Interiors

"If you would have your rooms interesting as well as beautiful, make them say something. . . . Before you buy anything, try to imagine how you want each room to look when completed; . . . think out the main features, for the details all depend upon these and will quickly adjust themselves. This is, in the long run, the quickest and most economical method of furnishing."

Such is the counsel of Grace Wood and Emily Burbank, joint authors of the newest, and perhaps the most up-to-the-minute book on household furnishing, "The Art of Interior Decoration," which has just issued from the press. There are many such volumes nowadays, for this is a reconstruction period in the arrangement and decoration of our homes. All too many of the modern writers on this subject forget, however, that it is of necessity reconstructive work, and they deal with the construction and composition of rooms from the standpoint of having everything new and in keeping to start out with. Most of us, when we yearn for a room which shall look just as we dream of its looking, are stared in the face by a load of present possessions, which cannot be abandoned and so must furnish the basis of the new scheme, whatever it may be.

Hangings are handled in another chapter. "For choice, one would say silk or velvet for formal rooms; velvet, corduroys or chintz for living rooms; leather and corduroy with rep hangings for a man's study; thin silks and chintz for bedrooms; chintz for nurseries; breakfast rooms and porches."

A place of exceptional importance is given by the authors to the textiles used, and particularly to those exquisite old bits of silk brocade, satin, or tapestry which may be picked up where antiques are found. "Nothing in the world gives such a note of distinction to a room as the use of rare old silks, properly placed. If you own only a small piece of antique silk, make a square of it for the center of the table, or combine several small bits, if these are all you have, into an interesting cover or cushion."

The decorative treatment of the piano is a topic which few writers on interior beautifying seem to consider. "You can always make an ebony or mahogany piano case more in harmony with its setting by covering it, when not in use, with a piece of beautiful old brocade, or a modern reproduction. . . . See that your piano is so placed that the pianist has an unbroken background—of wall, tapestry, a large piece of rare old silk, or a mirror. Clyde Fitch, past master at interior decoration, placed his piano in front of broad windows, across which at night were drawn crimson damask curtains. . . .

"The aim is to make the performer at the piano the object of interest, therefore, place no diverting objects, such as pictures or ornaments, on a line with the listener's eye, except as a vague background."

A chapter is devoted, too, to the matter of candlesticks, chandeliers and shades.

"Some shades, beautiful and decorative by daylight, lose their color when illuminated and become meaningless blots in a room. We have in mind a large silk lamp shade of faded sage green, mauve, fawn, and a dull blue, the same combination appearing in the fringe—a combination not only beautiful but harmonizing perfectly with the

lighting fixtures; how to make old



Photograph by Ira L. Hill's studio

## Hints on Broiling

"Meat suitable for broiling should be fairly tender and surrounded by fat," directs Mrs. Helen Ruggles, in a lecture on broiling. "If there is no fat on the meat, brushing over the surface with softened fat or olive oil will improve it. Should the fibers be tough, close scoring of each side with a sharp knife will break these, and not spoil the flavor or lose the juices, as occurs when meat is pounded; but, for broiling, it is better to choose tender cuts, reserving the tough pieces for other processes. The edge of the meat should also be cut through in several places to prevent it from curling up, as the outer skin contracts from the heat. If the bone be removed, we may skewer the steak or chops into a convenient shape and simplify the carving of the former. Add no seasoning until the surfaces are seared, as salt both toughens meat and draws out the juices. Wipe meat with cloth wrung out of lukewarm water."

"The gas oven should be heated full 10 minutes before broiling, or the meat will sizzle instead of broil. Remove the rack from the pan before heating the oven, so that the meat will not stick to the hot wire when put on."

"Place the meat about two inches from the flame, always leaving the oven door open while broiling. This is important to give the meat its flavor, and to prevent its burning and smoking. When one side is brown, turn, using two forks to turn the meat, to avoid piercing it. To finish cooking, reduce the heat, turning a second time if the meat is quite thick. Add seasoning after each side is browned; also salt, pepper and butter. The time of cooking will depend upon the thickness of the meat, and whether people want it rare, medium, or well done, but the method in each case is the same. For a steak, thick, rare, allow six minutes; eight to ten minutes if liked well done. The intense, direct heat sears the surface so that the juices are retained."

"Even so homely a dish as Hamburg steak takes on new dignity when broiled under the gas flame. It may be lightly seasoned with onion juice, and, if moistened with cream, the dish is delicious. Dry meat like ham, veal chops, and calf's liver should be first treated to a thin coating of butter, bacon fat, or drippings. Bacon should be put in a flat wire toaster, so that all may be turned at once. Fish and fowl should be spread with soft fat, and dredged with flour, salt, and pepper before broiling; a little lemon juice adds to the taste. Cook more slowly than the other meats, and baste with hot water and the melting fats. Chicken, and all fowls, and game should be broiled, allowing the fleshy side to broil lightly, then turning till nearly cooked. Game should be broiled rarely.

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"The authors devote several chapters to a consideration of period furnishings, and take up the practical treatment of bathrooms, servants' rooms, bedrooms, guest rooms, sun rooms, closets, narrow halls, balconies, and dressing rooms. There are chapters for the collector as well, and some advice on the choice of potteries and glass. In all, it is a comprehensive guide to the exercise of good taste under the direction of individual preferences, and will be of great value to home makers or re-makers."

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## THE HOME FORUM

## A Great German Historian

Theodore Mommsen is one of the strangest figures in modern Germany. In him all contrasts are united. He is a great scholar and a man of great imagination: a democrat, and yet no one has contributed to spread the notion of Cæsarism more than he in his "Roman History." Prof. Antoine Guillard writes in "Modern Germany and her Historians": "he is an idealist, and yet matter of fact; lastly, he is an enthusiast, and yet few men have so urged the coming generation to regard dreams of idealism as 'vanity and idle noise.'

"Born at Garding, in Schleswig, where his father was a pastor, Mommsen grew up in that strange country on the borders of the North Sea, pleasant enough inland, with its meadows and low roofed farmhouses, but desolate on the coast, where one can see nothing but vast expanses of moors, with swamps and sand dunes, continually washed by the waves of the gray and angry sea, which calls to mind the verses of Heine."

"There are in Mommsen two men," the writer goes on to say, "who do not always agree with one another, yet who are incomparable—the scholar and the artist. The scholar is undoubtedly one of the most remarkable of the nineteenth century. Mommsen accumulated an enormous amount of learning.

"If we consider his work—that work, enormous in extent and in the profundity of the researches involved—which includes, not counting the 'Corpus Inscriptionum Latinarum' which he edited for more than fifty years, a large number of memoirs on subjects of the most various description: Roman archaeology, linguistic science, epigraphy, numismatics, law, mythology: if we consider again the vast amount of information, derived alike from the study of books and men, of which he has shown proof in everything he wrote, speaking with the same authority of a lapygian inscription, some newly discovered fragments of . . . Appius or Cassiodorus or Jordanes, of the state of agriculture among the Carthaginians or the Chinese: if we consider, above all, the noble spirit with which he regarded knowledge—always wishing it to be completely universal, never narrowly national—working hard to ennoble the mind and warning his fellow-countrymen against excessive specialization, which is their peculiar failing—if we consider all this, Theodore Mommsen is one of the finest examples of German learning of the nineteenth century, in its nobleness, its greatness and disinterestedness.

"But beside this there is in Mommsen the most animated, most fanciful artist one could imagine. And this

## Indian "Cities" of New Mexico

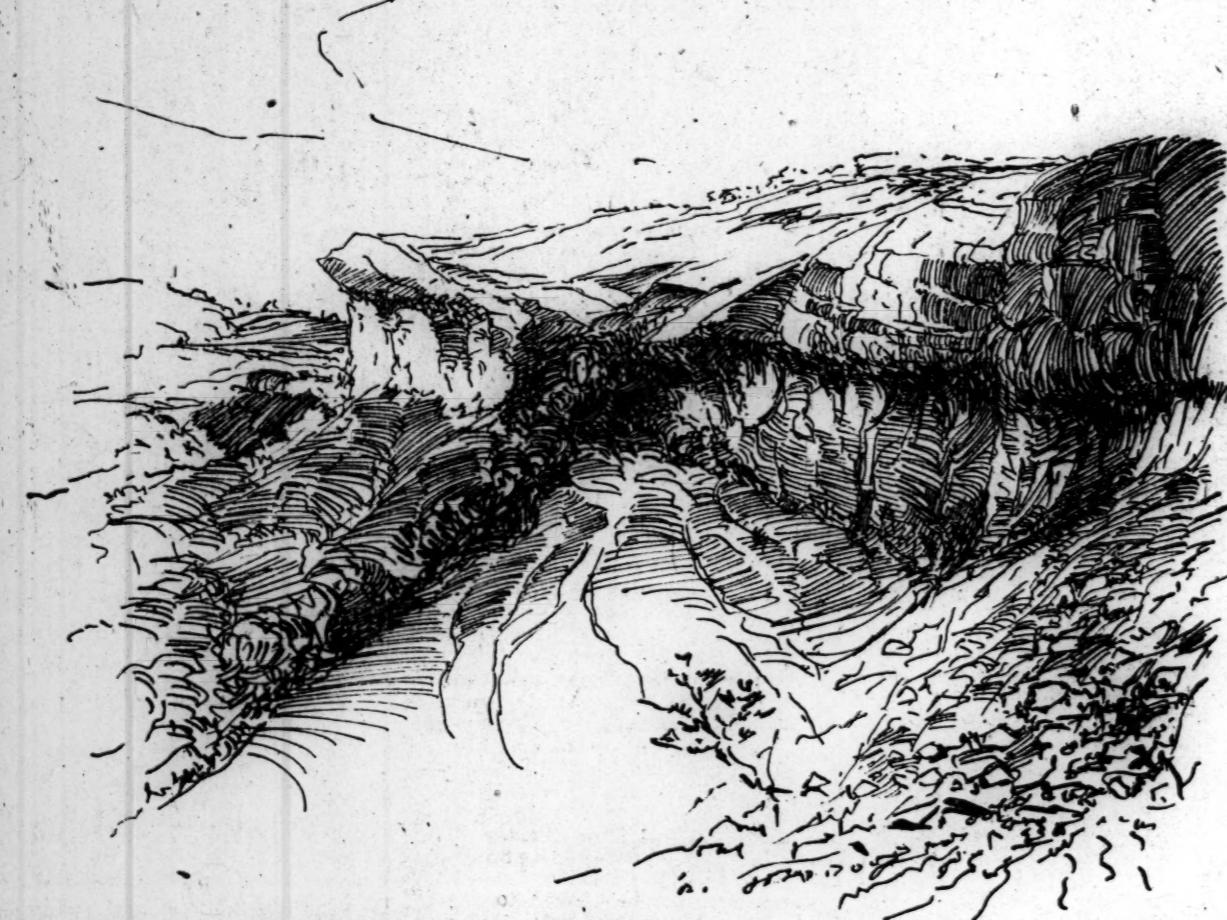
is something that seems strange enough by the side of such profound learning. This man, whom one would readily imagine to have the characteristics of a serious and rather severe scholar, is in truth a man of passion and impulse—not one, it is true, who quivers like Michelet, for all noble and great causes, or who is filled with sympathy and compassion for all that has lived and suffered on earth, but an intellectual enthusiast who is fired by everything that has played a brilliant part in the world, by everything that has been distinguished by its force and genius.

"This artist might never have been published but for a chance circumstance. About 1850, a Berlin publisher was looking for collaborators for a series of historical manuals. He approached Mommsen to write a history of Rome. He might have made mistake. Mommsen, indeed, was the first scholar in Roman affairs, but as a rule scholars are less fitted than others to write books for the general public. But . . . Mommsen was a great writer. Indeed, as a writer, he had passed his apprenticeship in a class of writing that best prepares one for vivid writing—journalism."

A pen picture of the Indian ruins still standing in New Mexico is given by Charles F. Lummis, in his "Land of Poco Tiempo." "Along the smooth, timbered lower slope of the Manzano is a north and south line of ancient Pueblo ruins. The mounds of long-abandoned Shumac and its sister towns bleach beside their squallid successors, the Mexican plazas of Chilili, Tajique, and Manzano. A little farther south, and pointing a right-angled triangle, are the bones of the three chief cities of the salines—Abó, Curá, and Tablilla. It must be understood that I use the word 'cities' here with a restriction and not in the sense of the Romantic School. These were cities like Montezuma's 'capital,' though smaller. There was no hint of a metropolis—no palaces, no temples, no splendor. Like those of ennobled Mexico, these towns were mere piles of earth and stone—Pueblo communities exactly such as are seen today in Taos, Acoma, Zuñi."

"Twenty miles south of the New Mexican hamlet of Manzano, and the riddle of its ancient apple-trees, is the

noble ruin of the pueblo of Abó. Its site is a wee head of a valley, strung upon a deep and rugged arroyo, between an eastern rocky ridge and the long acrylic to the mountains. The pueblo itself was a large hollow square, over two hundred feet on a side, of unbroken, three-story stone houses, tiered toward, and opening upon, the safe inner court. Outside, and parallel with, the north end of this quadrangle was a separate block of three-story buildings. So far the ruins present nothing novel to the student of Pueblo antiquities. They are merely the usual tumbled mounds of fallen building-stone and in blown sand. But a few rods north of the pueblo tower the giant walls of a noble edifice—such walls as would have been long ago immortalized in American literature, were they in Rhenish Bavaria instead of a land which might be fancied to have a patriotic interest to Americans. Amid the talus of tumbled stone these two vast parallel walls, forty-two feet apart, one hundred and fifteen feet long, and twelve feet thick at the base, soar sixty feet aloft in rugged majesty. Their ancient masonry of darkly-rufous sandstone, in adobe mortar, is almost perfect in alignment still."



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## Entrance to Bushman Cave, Drakensberg, South Africa

Writing of a part of the Drakensberg practically unknown to Europeans, a correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor gives a description of the curious Bushmen caves to be found there. Where the camp was pitched, near the foot of Champagne Castle, there was a group of immense bowlders, which, on inspection, were found to have a perfect maze of narrow openings, passages and caves, in which tall yellow-wood trees grew, sticking out at the top of the caves and looking from the outside like innocent little bushes. The rocks are all hollowed out underneath, one of the mysteries of South Africa, for unless the mountains were once under the sea how could they be hollowed out in such a way? It seems just as though big waves had hurled themselves against the rocks and scraped off a bit here and nudged off a bit there. The sudden sheer drops into narrow gorges look like passages for strong currents. Even the grass looks a little like sea-grass, growing in wiry tufts on the top of the mountains. Some heather grows there, and boulders of immense size lie about, uprooted by a troop of baboons probably. On the hillside itself only sugar-bush (protea) grows, with large pink, white or scarlet flowers, and short gnarled stems. On the lower ridge at the foot of the mountains may be found big "bushes," consisting of yellow-wood trees, tree-ferns, orchids and masses of undergrowth. Another tree that grows under the "krantzes," or cliffs, although not profusely, is one the natives call "macalaba," a tree which is one mass of gorgeous red blooms in spring, dripping with honey, and the writer saw two tiny green glittering

honey-suckers darting in and out of the flowers to gather the sweet nectar. Animals and birds are little seen in winter and early spring; even the cattle are not driven on to the mountain ridges until the grass has grown sufficiently green. Goats are kept by the natives in great flocks. The natives are well off, most of them keeping their own horses. The tribe at the foot of "Detelela" (Zulu for Champagne Castle, meaning "the one who stands defiantly") is one that fled from the tyrannous rule of Chaka, the Zulu king. Before their arrival there were mainly Bushmen there. The Bushmen were found more difficult to live with on account of their ways of appropriating all the cattle they could lay hands on. A guide, whose parents lived near the Bushmen, recounted tales of how these wild little mountaineers would slyly round off a whole herd of cattle, and drive it off into one of their spacious caves, where of course the cattle were most difficult to find. The Bushmen kept no cattle of their own, but were hunters, living on what they could get, and when their sources of supply dried up, moved on to some other hunting ground. Hence the numerous caves all over the mountainsides. Signs of their habitation were always left behind in the shape of paintings on the rock, paintings chiefly of animals, as a buck, and in one instance the head of an elephant. There are also drawings of the Bushmen themselves, but these figures are mostly so ludicrously out of proportion that one feels their talents lay distinctly more in the reproductions of animals, some of which are very true to the original, and colored, even shaded, in reds, pinks, yellow, white, and dark brown. All the colors must have been got out of the rock, for the cave generally is a brilliant

medley of soft yellow, white sandstone, where it is hollow underneath, brilliant splashes of red and most peculiar black zebra stripes running in regular lines down the rock.

Where have the remainder of this wild black gypsy race hidden themselves, after they were driven away by their enemies? Could they tell us the secret of their paints, how they made them to endure these fifty years and more, unharmed by wind and weather? The natives cannot tell, for they were too busy hunting down the little wild men who so cunningly removed their cattle.

## Exhortation to Courage

But wherefore do you droop? Why look you sad?

Be great in fact, as you have been in thought:

Let not the world see fear and sad distrust

Govern the motion of a kingly eye,

So shall inferior eyes,

That borrow their behaviors from the great,

Grow great by your example; and put on

The dauntless spirit of resolution;

Show boldness and aspiring confidence

—Shakespeare.

## To-Men of Letters

Or take the case of men of letters. Every piece of work which is not as good as you can make it, which you have pained off imperfectly, meagerly thought, niggardly in execution, upon mankind, who is your paymaster on parole, and in a sense your pupil, every hasty or slovenly or untrue performance, should rise up against you in the court of your own heart and condemn you for a thief.—Stevenson.

## Of a Sioux Childhood

Dr. Charles A. Eastman (Ohiyesa) tells these things about his Sioux boyhood and playmates.

"Chatanna was the brother with whom I passed much of my early childhood. He was a handsome boy and an affectionate comrade. We played together, slept together, and ate together; and as Chatanna was three years older, I naturally looked up to him as to a superior. Oesedah was a beautiful little character. She was my cousin and four years younger than myself. . . . Although she had a very good mother, Oesedah was her efficient teacher and chaperon. Such knowledge as my grandmother deemed suitable to a maiden was duly impressed upon her. . . . When I was not in the woods with Chatanna, Oesedah was my companion at home; and when I returned from my play at evening, she would have a hundred questions ready for me to answer. Some

of these were questions concerning our daily life, and others were more difficult problems which had suddenly dawned upon her.

"I often heard her declare to her girl companions: 'I know it is true: Ohiyesa said so!' Unchedah was partly responsible for this, for when any questions came up which lay within the sphere of man's observation, she would say: 'Ohiyesa ought to know that: he is a man—I am not! You had better ask him.'

"The truth was that she had herself explained to me many of the subjects under discussion.

"I was occasionally referred to little Oesedah in the same manner, and I always accepted her childish elucidations of any matter upon which I had been advised to consult her, because I knew the source of her wisdom. In this way we were made to be teachers of one another.

"Very often we discussed some topic before our common instructor, or answered her questions together."

"To what tribe does the lizard belong?" inquired Unchedah; on one of these occasions.

"To the four-legged tribe." I shouted.

"Oesedah, with her usual quickness flashed out the answer:

"It belongs to the creeping tribe."

"The Indians divided all animals into four general classes: first, those that walk upon four legs; second, those that fly; third, those that swim with fins; fourth, those that creep."

"Of course, I endeavored to support my assertion that the lizard belongs where I had placed it, because he has four distinct legs which propel him everywhere, on the ground or in the water. But my opponent claimed that the creature under dispute does not

## Judgment and Criticism

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THE habit of appraising things and methods by a slipshod use of language, or a superficial understanding of the meaning of such language, is one of the commonest and most pernicious of all the habits of the human mind. The student of Christian Science through his constant effort to progress toward a better knowledge of God, and so to keep up to the standard set before him in the Bible and his textbook, very quickly finds that if he does not learn how to correct this habit and to replace it by accurate thinking and speaking he makes very slow progress in spiritual attainment.

We hear a great deal about criticism in these days, literary, artistic, higher criticism, constructive criticism, and so on, but that is not the kind of criticism the ordinary man understands and indulges in. His use of that function generally resolves itself into merely finding fault, into pulling down those who are standing out from the crowd in any particular way, and to those who are awake to these things it is almost astounding to hear this irritable fault-finding in almost all conversation, and to see it iterated and reiterated in every newspaper he takes up. That there can be no good in this, but that a perpetual feeling of irritation and strife is thereby engendered, must, one would think, be almost self-evident, and certainly no remedy for this common complaint exists except in men finding in divine Principle the perfect standard upon which all can unite.

An intelligent understanding of the word criticism might be a step in the direction of a right use of the faculty it stands for, and it would certainly help to make generally known that which Christian Science has already made plain to its students, that fault-finding, pulling down persons or things, has no relation to any logical or permanent function of divine Mind, but is the mere self-destructiveness of humanity.

The word criticism is taken from a

Greek verb meaning to separate, hence to judge or to hold the balance between good and evil, false or true. True criticism then has no relation to destructiveness, but is meant to ascertain and to sustain that which is good or true, separating it from that which is the contrary, the latter then vanishing, in the nature of things, into the region of mistakes and so to be of no further account.

The genuine Christian Scientist endeavors to hold this attitude toward whatever,—be it person or thing, or circumstance,—confronts him, and by his determination to put self on one side and to be governed by the divine Mind only, he finds an increasing ability to detect the true and to separate it from the false, and, incidentally, that the abandonment of the old habit of fault-finding gives much greater capacity for enjoyment, as well as providing many more occasions of enjoyment, as would naturally be the case.

That there is Scriptural authority for this attitude is evident from various statements in the Gospels. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus warned his disciples not to judge lest they be judged in their turn. It seems obvious that he meant to show them that condemnation of another always returns with interest to the originator, for in another place he tells them that while they should be careful not to judge after the appearance, they should "judge righteous judgment," saying which it does not seem possible to interpret in any other way than by recognizing that it is impossible to separate good from evil by any superficial process, yet that it is a necessary duty which must be fulfilled carefully and conscientiously. It is perhaps unfortunate that the translators of the Bible, both of the Authorized and the Revised versions, saw fit to use the same word in all these cases, for the meaning is obviously different.

In the same way, the lurid pictures

## A Famous Group at Work

In "A Painter of Dreams," A. M. W. Stirling gives an interesting description of the decorating of the Union Club at Oxford by the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood.

Rossetti, Roddam Spencer Stanhope says in one of his letters, "is decorating the Union Club there (Oxford) in distemper—this is voluntary. He has asked me to go and do something there, as there are several fellows working, so I shall certainly go and see, and, if it is advisable to do so, I shall take my share in the work."

"Shortly afterward, in accordance with Rossetti's proposal," the writer says, "Stanhope went to Oxford to take part in the ceiling decoration of the Union Debating Hall (now the Library). This was intended to cover with frescoes in tempera, illustrative of the romance of King Arthur; and associated with Rossetti in this enterprise were also Morris, Burne-Jones, Arthur Hughes, Valentine Prinsep and J. Hungerford Pollen. Holman Hunt's name was on one of the spandrels reserved for his work, but owing to various circumstances he was never able to undertake this.

"On the space set apart for Stanhope, the latter painted Sir Gawaine at the Fountain, and next to him worked Burne-Jones, his acquaintance of Little Holland House, with whom his friendship was thus more firmly cemented. 'As time went on,' wrote Stanhope, 'I found myself more and more attracted to Ned. The spaces we were decorating were next to each other, and this brought me closely into contact with him. In spite of his high spirits and fun, he devoted himself more thoroughly to his work than any of the others with the exception of Morris. He appeared unable to leave his picture as long as he thought he could improve it, and as I was behind-hand with mine, we had the place all to ourselves for some weeks after the rest were gone.' But, unfortunately, the technique of fresco painting was then little understood in England, the artists who devoted their energy to this work were all young and inexperienced; the walls on which they painted were new and not properly prepared—not even flattened. The tempera process adopted was little more than water-color painting, and the pictures have long ago faded off, becoming first a phantom of what they had been, then a mere confused blur of fading color.

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"I there before thee, in the country that well thou knowest, Already arrived am I, inhaling the odor of the air: I watch thee enter unerringly where thou goest, And anchor queen of the strange shipping there.

"Thy sails for awnings spread, thy masts bare, Nor is aught from the foaming reef to the grandest Peak, that is over the feathery palms more fair Than thou, so upright, so stately and still thou standest.

"And yet, O splendid ship, unhailed and nameless, I know not if, aiming a fancy, I rightly divine That thou hast a purpose joyful, a courage blameless.

"Thy port assured in a happier land than mine. But for all I have given thee, beauty enough is thine, As' thou, asiant with firm Jackie and shrouding,

From the proud nostril curve of a prow's line In the offing scatterest foam, thy white sails crowding.

—Robert Bridges.

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## EDITORIALS

### No Revenue From Liquor License

CLAIMS made by the liquor interests in every saloon-infested community, that license fees paid by the traffic into the public treasury assist materially in defraying the cost of municipal administration, and that to suppress their business would consequently increase the taxes of citizens in general, has had weight with many people unfamiliar with the facts. Possibly the fallacy misleads many in Boston today. The truth is that from beginning to end, the liquor traffic, in all of its phases, adds to the burden rather than contributes to the relief of the average taxpayer, in every community in which it is tolerated. It not only reduces individual and communal production, but it compels expenditures out of all proportion to the total receipts from licenses for the amelioration of poverty and the control of crime and wrongdoing directly traceable to it.

Let us look to the basis of all statements that may be made in this connection. It is found in the twenty-sixth annual report of the Massachusetts Bureau of Statistics, which, upon the order of the Legislature of the Commonwealth, some years ago, made an exhaustive inquiry into the "Relation of the Liquor Traffic to Pauperism, Crime and Insanity." The findings of this body have been repeatedly confirmed by later investigations carried on in other parts of the country and of the world. They are appalling. Of 2752 paupers of adult years, 2077, or 75.47 per cent, were addicted to the use of liquor; in 4774 per cent of 3230 cases, of all ages, one or both parents had been intemperate, and 39.44 per cent of the total of the State's paupers attributed their condition to liquor. Out of 26,672 convictions for various offenses, 17,575, or 65.89 per cent, were for drunkenness; in 81,863 per cent of the cases the offender was under the influence of liquor at the time of the commission of the offense. The number of convictions, where offenders were addicted to the use of liquor was 25,137 out of a total of 26,672, or 96.44 per cent. Out of 1836 cases of insanity, 672, or 36.55 per cent, were addicted to the use of liquor. Of the total, 33.55 per cent were known to have had one or both parents intemperate.

Facts are brought down nearer for Boston. That city has been continuously in the license column since the Massachusetts Local Option law went into effect, in 1881. It has had approximately 980 licenses in operation for a term of years. This number of licensed places is practically double that of any other city or town in the State in proportion to population, and yet there never has been a time when illegal sale of liquor has not been extensively carried on within Boston's corporate limits. Between 1901 and 1915 there were, in the city, over 5000 liquor raids, 60 per cent of them resulting in actual seizure of illicit liquor in the downtown section. These facts dispose of the claim that license does away with illegal traffic in intoxicants. Arrests for drunkenness in Boston have increased more than five times as fast as the population since 1900, and the greatest increases have been in the license sections of the city. And, this disposes of the claim that license makes drinking "respectable."

Every person who drinks is, in some degree, an expense to the community. We have seen in what proportions pauperism, crime and insanity are chargeable to the liquor traffic in the State of Massachusetts. Now, as to the cost. In 1915 the Commonwealth paid for the maintenance of institutions to meet the needs of victims of the liquor business \$3,202,527, and received in liquor license fees as an offset, \$865,055. That is, for every dollar the State received from licenses it paid out three to meet the cost of the licensed liquor traffic. In Boston the showing is even more unsatisfactory to the liquor interests who pose as public benefactors. Boston's expenditures on account of pauperism, crime, and insanity attributable to the liquor traffic, in 1916, were \$4,298,959, while the net receipts of the municipality in license fees were \$1,054,267. That is, for every dollar in license money received by Boston in 1915 it paid out four to repair, to some extent, the ravages of the license system. In addition to this, Boston, in the same year, paid toward the State loss on account of the liquor traffic the sum of \$768,732.

There is nothing fanciful, imaginary, or theoretical about these figures. They represent the plain unvarnished truth of a balance sheet prepared in accordance with the rules governing good bookkeeping. Yet, they tell only a fractional part of the whole story. They do not, for instance, take account of the economic, to say nothing of the moral, loss in manhood, womanhood, and childhood resulting from the legalization of one of the most degrading and demoralizing trades known to modern times. In one year time equal to 300,000 working days is lost to Massachusetts by the imprisonment of victims of the liquor traffic, while the cost in deserted homes and abandoned families is beyond computation.

There is nothing but loss, ruin, desolation, on the side of licensed traffic in liquor; nothing but profit to be gained in breaking away from it.

### The New Union Francaise

The new Union Francaise, which held its inaugural meeting in Paris a short time ago, furnishes a typical instance of the determination of the French people to look well ahead, and, whilst prosecuting the war with the utmost vigor, to prepare, as fully as may be, for the conditions that will obtain on the conclusion of peace. The new union, which was founded by M. Paul Gaultier, is designed as a national association to promote the moral and material expansion of France.

At the inaugural meeting, many of the speeches were

noteworthy for their breadth of view, and for the remarkable certainty with which the speakers indicated the really significant amongst the more recent domestic developments in France. M. Henri Bergson, the president of the union, explained that the new association had undertaken the task of coordinating all efforts towards the development of France when the war was over; but he made it clear that its policy was not a selfish or parochial one; that it recognized that France could not, any more than could any other country, live unto herself, but that she had to fill a definite place in the world, and had a definite duty to perform towards other nations. They advocated, he said, the legitimate expansion of France; but it must be an expansion free from all attempts at monopolizing, and must, in fact, aim at serving the interests of civilization.

The other speakers dealt with their subject in much the same spirit, and if they confined themselves largely to domestic issues, their remarks were always characterized by a broad outlook on the matter in hand. This way of viewing the matter, perhaps, found its fullest expression in the appeal for unity made by M. Louis Barthou in the speech which concluded the meeting. The war, he said, had broken down the barriers which had divided French national life. It had shown the solidarity of all branches of national activity, and had brought about unity. But the end of the war must not see the end of unity. After saving France by their sacrifices, they would have to preserve her by their labor.

The meeting was a significant one, but it was so chiefly by reason of the fact that the idea of reviving it was, not so much that of repair and reconstruction as of expansion and development, and that not by any means chiefly in the realm of trade and industry. Such questions as literature and education, the better administration of justice, the simplification of procedure, the new political status of women, and so on, were earnestly considered. Such meetings cannot fail to have a steady effect on public opinion, if only by strengthening its grasp on essentials.

### Halifax and New York Shipping

It is intimated very plainly that, with the change of Government now completed in Great Britain, will be inaugurated a change of policy, which will include the arming of merchant vessels. According to a ruling of the United States Department of State, while merchant ships of other nations lose nothing of their status in United States waters by carrying a reasonable number of guns for defense, yet the moment they become armed for aggressive purposes they fall automatically into the warship class, and must abide by the regulations governing the same. That is, the time allowed for their stay in any port of the country must be only that which is necessary to provisioning and repairs. They cannot replenish their munition stores in United States waters. They cannot be regarded as merchantmen, or privileged as such. Under the restrictions imposed, it would be impossible for armed British ships to carry on a mercantile business successfully. Therefore, it is said to be among the possibilities, even among the probabilities, that British steamship lines will soon make Halifax, N. S., their transatlantic terminal. This would, of course, deprive United States Atlantic ports of direct maritime traffic with British ports, in Europe and in other continents, the Americas excepted, and it would mean a complete revolution in New York's oversea trade. Perhaps that more than any other would feel the consequences of the ensuing readjustments.

Such a change should benefit rather than harm Boston. The latter city is in closer touch than any other of the principal United States seaports with the Maritime Provinces. It has regular connection by rail and water with St. John, Yarmouth, and Halifax. It could easily, were it prepared with facilities, become the leading North American transfer port for British passenger and freight traffic. A shuttle service between Halifax and St. John would make the latter port the eastern terminus of a ferry line, of which Boston would be the western terminal. Passengers and merchandise shipped by way of St. John could be kept within the three-mile limit all the way to Boston. Boston would be the natural auxiliary transatlantic port for British armed shipping in the Maritime Provinces. New York, with its usual energy and enterprise, would undoubtedly strive promptly to adjust itself to the new conditions, but Boston from the first would have the advantage.

The question is, Would Boston profit by the advantage, or could Boston do so, if it would? Something has been neutralizing Boston's natural advantages as a seaport for years. A general impression exists as to what this something is. Whatever it is, would it be able to do this, as it has been in others, to drive trade from Boston to New York? Would the Boston capitalists who have investments in New York controlled corporations, combinations and trusts, permit Boston to become one of the great maritime cities of the world as a result of the changes which the European war is bringing about? Could they do so, if they would?

To reap advantage from the trade that is possibly going to find an entrance to the United States through the Maritime Provinces in the immediate future, Boston must remove the embargo which the railroad systems have established. It must not be more costly to transfer a carload of freight across Boston than it is to transfer a carload of freight across a quarter of the continent. The Chinese wall along the Boston waterfront must be torn down, and Boston must cease to be a pawn in the hands of Wall Street.

Can these things be done? They can. Will they be done? We cannot say.

### Lending to Cattlemen

THE need of more cattle in the United States and in Canada is recognized. There are few questions upon which there is greater unanimity of opinion. The high price of beef and beef by-products, and the scarcity and

almost prohibitive price of leather are conditions that confront everybody. Cattle raising is manifestly an industry to be encouraged and fostered. The press of the United States and Canada is constantly discussing plans for promoting the rearing and feeding of cattle. Many of the plans proposed have been practicable. The one great difficulty in their way is lack of capital. Those who have money can, they think, make better use of it than by putting it into so uncertain a business as cattle raising. Those who would like to raise cattle have not the means of carrying themselves through until they can make a profit from the industry.

A certain bank in one of the smaller cities of Kentucky offers a proposition to assist those who wish to go into the business. "We have prepared a special cattle note," says this institution, "and invite investigation of the plan. We know of no better way to lift a mortgage or build a bank account than to buy cattle and feed them on your own land." The soil and climate of Kentucky are peculiarly suitable for live-stock raising, and no State offers better advantages for a trial of the credit system proposed. The Courier-Journal thinks it "should be safer for a Kentucky bank than for a bank in Kansas or Texas to lend money on cattle. Yet cattle paper is dealt with in those States as warehouse receipts are dealt in by Kentucky banks." There is no reason why "cattle paper" should not be acceptable to banks throughout the South. That section has a great opportunity in the promotion of this industry, and the Kentucky example might be followed by southern banks generally.

No doubt there is risk in lending money on live stock, but there is risk, to a greater or less degree, in all forms of banking, and in all forms of insurance. Cannot the banks of a section share the risk with the producer?

Doubt of farm product security, the tendency to avoid everything that is not stamped with certainty, is one of the contributing causes to the high cost of living. Farming is made difficult for the average man; cattle feeding and raising are often made impossible by the restrictions placed upon loans. The small merchant in the city, even the speculator, can often get accommodation from the banks when the substantial agriculturist, or the man who is striving to build up a profitable business on his farm, is turned away empty-handed. The land-bank system will ameliorate this condition in some degree, but it will not meet the problem adequately. The spirit of the Kentucky small-town bank that is going into cattle loans, on its own volition and account, is needed everywhere.

### Cabinets

IT is a curious reflection that the term "cabinet," a body so much under discussion in the United Kingdom today, should have had its origin as a term of reproach. In the days of the Tudors and the Stewarts, when the power of favorites was always strong and always a subject for resentment throughout the country, the word came to be used to designate those inner and secret councils whose decisions were invariably inimical to popular rights and privileges. Thus in the "Second Remonstrance" of 1642, Parliament complained to Charles I of "the managing of the great affairs of the realm in Cabinet Councils by men unknown and not publicly trusted."

The Cabinet Council, properly so called, is generally said to date from the reign of William III. It had, however, begun to assume a certain constitutional status in the time of Charles II, although it goes back for its true beginnings many years before that time. During the reign of Henry VI, an inner council began to form in the Concilium Ordinarii, called the Concilium Privatum or Privy Council. The Concilium Ordinarii had existed before the Conquest, and represented a select body of advisers to the King, a kind of committee of the National Assembly or Parliament. Henry VI found this committee too large, and this led to the gradual evolution of the Privy Council, which, in the time of Charles II, gave place, for all practical purposes, to a still further attenuation in the shape of a Cabinet Council. Charles II had found the restraints imposed upon his actions by the Privy Council too irksome, and had drifted into the bad habit of his fathers, of confiding in the inevitable "cabal" or clique of confidants. To meet this condition Sir William Temple devised the plan of forming a select committee of the Privy Council, to take the place of the latter, and this plan was accepted by the King. The distinction between the Privy Council and the Cabinet Council has existed ever since.

It was not, however, until the latter years of the reign of William III that the Cabinet, in its present form, began to emerge. At that time, the two fundamental ideas underlying the present-day Cabinet were accepted. It was held that a ministry should consist of statesmen holding the same political views, and identified with each other; and secondly, that it should stand on a parliamentary basis, that is to say, it should command the support of a majority in the House of Commons. Like everything else, however, connected with the British Constitution there was no time when the constitution of the Cabinet was drawn up in writing, and, to this day, the word "Cabinet" finds no place in legal language, being essentially a conventional and not a legal designation.

The Cabinet's powers, and methods, and procedure all rest on unwritten laws, all the more inviolate, of course, for this very reason. No secretary, or other officer, may be present at a Cabinet meeting; no official record is kept of its proceedings, save by the Prime Minister for the perusal of the Sovereign; all its members are jointly and severally responsible for all its measures; and all are bound to secrecy as long as the Cabinet lasts.

As illustrating the apparently fortuitous nature of the growth of the Cabinet, one of its most notable privileges, that of being entirely independent in its deliberation of any interference from the Sovereign, it owes to what has been described as "a happy accident." King William III and Queen Anne always presided at the meetings of the Cabinet, but when George I came to the throne he could speak no English, and he found great

difficulty in conferring with his ministers. He made no attempt, therefore, to preside at Cabinet meetings. The same conditions obtained in the reign of George II, and it was not till George III came to the throne that free interchange of ideas between Sovereign and ministers was again possible. By that time, however, the "happy accident" had developed into a jealously guarded privilege, and so it has remained. The Cabinet, today, is, of course, the de facto Government of the country, the King being only the "visible symbol of power."

### Notes and Comments

THE events of the past two years in the United Kingdom have occasioned a serious necessity for recasting the popular idea of a soldier. Tommy Atkins, after the fashion of Kipling's "Absent-minded Beggar," made a brave showing at first. He sang "Tipperary" as he marched down Whitehall, and the tales told about him recalled, at every turn, the streets of Pretoria and the high veldt. Now that the nation is under arms, however, and all manner of men, drawn from all manner of walks and stations, are soldiering side by side, a new "Tommy" is being evolved. When one reads, therefore, of "Classical Concerts for Soldiers," one no longer hastens to say defensively, "Why not?" but receives the announcement with as little emotion as if one had heard of a similar effort at the Queen's Hall. Performers and audience today are, possibly, much the same in both cases.

ESTABLISHMENT of a society to be known as The Spanish Center of Guatemala, in the capital city of that Central American Republic, will be, for the numerous Spanish residents there, a means of renewing and reviving the memories of their mother land, Spain. And this sort of thing in the Americas is only the reflex of that renewal of interest and family feeling that has been growing in its expression, of late, as from Spain to her sons and daughters on the American side. It is manifesting itself in many ways, from books and dissertations to methods of receiving Spanish-American Ambassadors at the Court of Spain.

STORIES of birds and animals "at the front" still keep coming in, and are full of interest to those who find interest in such things. One of the points constantly noted is the utter indifference of the birds to the roar of the guns. An officer, in a recent letter from the front, says that he sees partridges in coverts, and hears the pheasants crowing, whilst "now and again a snipe is flushed." All the birds, he says, pay not the slightest notice to our guns or the enemy's shells, the noise of which is, of course, tremendous and, at times, quite close to them.

ANOTHER fact noted is the remarkable immunity from injury enjoyed by the birds, and in this connection the same officer tells an interesting story of a flock of wild geese which came sailing "in an ordered V formation towards the line." They were subjected to a veritable fusillade, including machine-gun fire, from both the German and British trenches, but suffered no casualties.

As a result of the recent election there will, it is said, probably never be another attempt to repeal the prohibition law in Arkansas. By their votes the people proved too conclusively that they favor State-wide prohibition to make another effort for local option worth considering; so those in the minority have decided to give up the contest. The people of Arkansas know by experience that they are well off, and such conviction is not easily shaken.

PROPOSED changes in United States postage rates bring to notice that the expenditures of the Post Office Department in 1800 were \$213,994; in 1850, \$5,212,953; in 1900, \$107,740,267; while the total during the past year was over \$300,000,000. A reduction is now advocated in letter postage and an advance in rates on second-class matter, ostensibly to even up the cost of the different classes in proportion to receipts. Letter mail is at present carried at a great profit, and a large loss is incurred in the transportation of second-class matter. One offsets the other, and many see no sufficient reason for a change. The expense of two cents for a letter cannot be regarded as a hardship, and the benefits of the wide distribution of periodicals and other second-class mail should be taken into account in considering the public good. Popular education is of more importance than monetary saving in business correspondence.

THE new warden of Sing Sing Prison intends to manage the institution as a modern, efficiently-run factory would be managed, according to a friend of his; and the same authority speaks of W. H. Moyer's attitude toward the men as one of humanity and reasonableness. The prisoners are sure to find, he says, that they are respected as men, and that they will be dealt with fairly. This attitude seems indicative of the respect for a man's individuality that all men deserve, and assuredly invites no charge of excessive sentiment.

MANY people would like to know why the small poultryman feels that he should charge the full market price for eggs when he has no store rent to pay, but just keeps and feeds the hens and waits for them to lay. Perhaps it is because no one ever questioned his right to do so.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL BURLESON, in a letter to the United States House Committee on Postal Affairs, while declaring that he adheres to his position recommending an increase in the charges on second-class matter, says that "serious consideration should be given" the numerous and vigorous protests against such action. Surely. Numerous and vigorous protests seem to lie in wait for most of Postmaster-General Burleson's recommendations.